

'Vaudeville' Programs Of Jewish Groups Hit

National Jewish Post
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.—Asserting that "night clubs, burlesque houses and vaudeville theaters" are being imitated by Jewish organizations in a degrading hunt for greater attendance, Rabbi Morris Adler of Detroit last week urged "responsible Jews" to boycott such programs.

Writing as a guest columnist in the "Voice" of Congregation Ahavas Israel, Rabbi Adler denounced as a danger the attention given by Jewish organizations to means by which a large audience can be attracted for meetings.

WHO WANTS IT?

"Dignity, Jewish values and taste are thrown to the winds, as a hodgepodge of entertaining varieties is assembled and aimed to catch the fancy of hitherto absent membership," the rabbi of Congregation Shaarey Zedek wrote.

"Night clubs, burlesque houses, vaudeville theaters are imitated in the hope that their appeal to numbers of people might be duplicated. 'Cultural' (?) programs are devoted to humorists, whose stories often reveal both Jewish self-hatred and offensive vulgarity; to mesmerists, hypnotists, chorus girls, non-Jews who can sing Elli, Elli, acrobats and jugglers."

WHAT IT DOES

Rabbi Adler said that such programs not only would succeed in driving intelligent and sensitive Jews out of organized Jewish life, "but even those who now come will soon tire of the monotonous fare of vulgarity."

He urged Jewish organizations to "ask themselves whether they



RABBI MORRIS ADLER
What Price Attendance?

are not paying too high a price for the 'crowd.' What purpose is served by their attendance? How do these programs contribute to the purpose of the organization?"

JEWISH CONTENT

He said the time had come to call a halt to fashion shows, jazz dances, canasta parties, stag affairs, imitations of radio and television broadcasts, and minstrel shows that are sponsored by Jewish groups and which are offered as Jewish programs.

"Better no meetings at all, than some of the meetings I have recently seen announced," the Detroit rabbi said. "Let responsible Jews stay away from programs that disgrace us, and inform those in charge of their indignation and protest."

Attorney General.

The harmonica player made the admission in testimony as a plaintiff in a \$200,000 libel suit which he and dancer Paul Draper have brought against Mrs. H. R. McCullough of Greenwich, Conn.

Adler listed himself as a member of the Committee for Jewish Writers and Artists.

Larry Adler Member Red-Front Jewish Group

HARTFORD, Conn.—The Communist-front Committee for Jewish Writers and Artists was among the organizations in which Larry Adler admitted last week he had been active after they were listed as subversive by the U.S.

JEWISH FAMILIES OPEN HOMES TO NEGRO CONCLAVE DELEGATES

JAMESTOWN, N. Y.—Members of the congregation of a Reform Temple here, responding to an appeal from their rabbi, opened their homes to Negro youth attending a church conference when local Negro families were unable to provide guest housing for all the delegates.

The disclosure that the Jewish families not only had provided guest housing for the young Negroes but had provided more homes than were needed, was made by Rabbi Sidney I. Goldstein, spiritual leader of Temple B'nai Abraham here.

Writing in the Temple Bulletin, Rabbi Goldstein said that several weeks ago, a member of the AME Zion Church in Jamestown called him. She told him that her church was being host to a large number of children

and adults attending a regional youth meeting.

She asked the rabbi if it would be possible "to find homes in which some of these youngsters and adults could stay, inasmuch as their church membership" was too small to provide housing for all the delegates.

Rabbi Goldstein passed the appeal on to his congregation and reported that "I was very happy at the response which I received from the membership. It turned out that we had more homes than youngsters who actually came."

Noting that the Temple had recently staged its regular interfaith and interracial Brotherhood Service in February, Rabbi Goldstein said "the fact that our people were willing to give these youngsters genuine hospitality

is a moving story in our attempt to make Brotherhood real."

Rabbi Goldstein cited the contents of a letter sent by one of the Negro guests to his Jewish host:

"I'm sure that you cannot imagine how grateful we fellows were for your hospitality. When we were told that housing was scarce for the conference . . . we found ourselves in a more or less hesitant mood, not knowing just how to accept and how we would be accepted. But the understanding and fellowship we encountered when meeting your whole family has left an indelible impression on my mind which makes me stop and meditate and wonder how people with so much good in them don't predominate and thus make a better America for all of us to live."

Browdy Endorsed For Full Term By Silver Followers In ZOA

By MARC H. TANENBAUM

National Jewish Post Correspondent

NEW YORK—A boom for the election of Benjamin Browdy of Brooklyn as president at the next Zionist Organization of America convention was launched this week at a closed meeting of 38 ZOA leaders, many of them followers of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

The 38 ZOA leaders at a closed meeting Sunday adopted a unanimous resolution saying it was in the best interest of the ZOA that Browdy continue as president.

Browdy was elevated to the presidency through the sudden death last March of Daniel Frisch, the first ZOA president ever to die in office.

The Brooklyn textile leader and industrialist was unanimously chosen to succeed Frisch by the ZOA Administrative Council.

Among those present at the Sunday meeting were Jacques and Harry Torczyner of New York, Sol Cohen of Long Island, Abe Goldstein of Hartford, Judge Joseph Klau of Hartford, Dr. Michael Lucacer, president of the New England region, Joseph Cherner of Washington, Max Bressler of Chicago and Morris Margulies, one-time leader in the now defunct Committee for Progressive Zionism, formal internal opposition to the leadership of Dr. Silver and Emanuel Neumann, Frisch's predecessor in the presidency.

The meeting Sunday and the endorsement followed a press conference by Browdy two weeks ago in which he quietly dropped most of the program developed by Daniel Frisch for the ZOA.

Browdy made it plain that the ZOA, under his leadership, would return to the primary goals of stimulating of investment in Israel and support of chalutzim (pioneering for Israel) on the former basis of hachshara (preparation) in the United States.

Last September Frisch dropped ZOA financial support of Plugat Aliyah, the General Zionist Chai Commission. The late president said then that the ZOA would simply register U.S. Jewish youth in the U.S. for chalutzim but that training would take place in Israel.

Browdy reportedly was moving toward restoration of the ZOA subvention to Plugat Aliyah.

Browdy's term will expire at the next ZOA convention, scheduled for July 4 in Chicago. In his brief term as president, Browdy has given no indication that he will seek a full term at the Chicago convention, and the presidency has been considered wide open.

IRANIAN KURDS UNLEASH POGROM; 12 JEWS MURDERED, GIRLS RAPED

TEHERAN, Iran—Twelve Jews have been murdered and several Jewish girls raped in an outbreak of violent persecution in Iranian Kurdistan, a group of Jewish refugees arriving here this week reported.

The spokesman for the 300 weary Jewish refugees who arrived here said that persecution of the 12,000 Jews in Kurdistan began about two months ago.

The persecution was blamed on local religious fanatics by the spokesman, who said that the Iran Government could not be blamed. He said the Government had ordered Kurd authorities to do everything possible to protect Jews in Iranian Kurdistan. Some 2,300 Jews are fleeing from the area to Teheran.

Actions Group Ducks Decision On World Zionism Role In Israel

JERUSALEM—The Zionist Actions Committee concluded a lengthy session here last week with adoption of a resolution leaving to a proposed overall development authority the knotty problems of division of labor and authority between the Israel Government and the Jewish Agency on immigration and colonization activities.

The Actions Committee, ruling body of world Zionism between sessions of the World Zionist Congress, also adopted a resolution calling on the Government to vest the Jewish Agency with authority to approve and coordinate all welfare projects in Israel which are sponsored by Jewish organizations from abroad, according to World Wide News Service.

WHAT IT DOES

The resolution on an overall development authority proposed that representatives of both the Jewish Agency and the Government of Israel serve on it. The report gave no details as to the degree to which the Israel Government was committed to the proposal.

The Actions Committee defined the tasks of the Zionist movement as mobilizing world Jewry

for the support of Israel, encouraging immigration to Israel and raising funds for that purpose and stimulating worldwide interest in Israel and Zionist education of the Jewish youth in countries outside of Israel.

GOLDMANN HAPPY

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the American section of the Agency, lauded the accomplishments of the ten-day session.

Goldmann said that the meetings had demonstrated that "all previous rumors about serious differences between David Ben-Gurion, prime minister of Israel, and the Zionist leaders proved baseless."

He said he fully believed that the Israel Government wanted the Zionist Organization to continue to be an active element in the upbuilding of the country and that the new development authority approved by the Actions Committee would eliminate misunderstandings and "will lay the foundation for close cooperation between the Government and the Zionist executive."

A SHARP WARNING

The reports of differences between the Zionist leaders and Ben-Gurion were based on a sharp warning from the Prime Minister at one of the opening sessions of the meeting.

"The State of Israel needs partners, not inspectors," Ben-Gurion told the Zionists. "The money you give does not buy you special privileges."

Ben-Gurion repeated earlier statements that constructive criticism was welcome but only Zionists who came to Israel and assumed the responsibilities of citizenship were entitled to a voice in determining policy.

The statement was made partly in reply to demands from some Zionists, notably Goldmann, asking for a charter to deal specifically with such issues as absorption of immigrants and land settlement.

Menuhin Scores Personal Triumph

(Earlier Story Inside)

TEL AVIV, Israel—"I am leaving my sister Hepzibah here for another fortnight, and my heart forever," Violinist Yehudi Menuhin said on his departure last week after a sensational 12-day tour of the Jewish state.

The Tel Aviv correspondent of the Jewish CHRONICLE of London reported that Menuhin invested the proceeds of some of his scores of concerts in a small orange grove.

Menuhin, who ran into a frosty reception on his arrival, scored a personal success. He gave six concerts in kibbutzim (collectives) and in military hospitals without charge.

New York

RAPPROCHMENT GETTING CLOSER
BETWEEN SILVER, BEN-GURION

By M. Z. FRANK

THE other day I saw an announcement in a Detroit paper that Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver was to be the chief speaker at a United Jewish Appeal banquet in that city. I hear that he has been pretty good and that he has been going around quite a bit speaking for UJA. Considering that he has been quite busy with the coming centenary celebration of his Temple—I think it is, taking place in May—he is carrying quite a load.

A year ago, after the flight, some people expected Silver to come out and say, "No matter what happened, I am pitching in for the UJA." That is the way Chaim Weizmann behaved, that is the way the late Stephen Wise often acted. It was held against Silver that he did not; it was said that if he had, he would have won such a resounding moral victory that sooner or later he would have regained the leadership of the Zionist movement.

But a lot of people are now one year older and one year—more than one year—wiser. Silver is working for the UJA and many Israeli of the Mapai persuasion have been saying to me these last few months: "Well you've got to take them as they come. Every great man is a difficult man; hasn't Weizmann his faults? Hasn't Ben-Gurion his?"



FRANK

ONLY THIS AFTERNOON I was introduced to a newcomer from Israel. When he heard my name, he told me he had been reading my stuff in HAARETZ.

"I used to enjoy reading it," he said, "but I used to think you were exaggerating some things."

"Meaning Silver and Neumann?" I asked.

"Yes," he admitted, "but I must say that after I have observed things in America for some time, I can see them more your way."

"You know," I said, "I have had a pretty tough time. In the Zionist Organization of America, I was looked upon as a fifth column of Mapai, while many Mapai people looked upon me as the agent of Silver and Neumann."

I pointed out to him just in what matters I had supported Silver and Neumann and he agreed that in that, time has shown them to be in the right. There were certain of their policies for which I criticized them, warned them and predicted that if they persisted in them, they would lose out. But I knew that their loss would be the loss of the Zionist movement. I warned leaders in Israel last year that the elimination of Silver and Neumann would leave a vacuum in the American Zionism, that American Zionism hasn't enough substance to develop without strong leadership and that so far no other leadership has appeared on the American horizon.

WELL, ALL THAT is water over the dam. Today, both sides seem to be in a more reasonable mood. Yesterday, a very clever Israeli lady who served in the Government and in the Army told me, "I see that we have committed some very bad errors about America."

Several months ago, a Jewish National Fund official from Jerusalem whom I used to see quite often told me:

"I am a member of Mapai and I can tell you what the thinking in the name of any leader. I am members of my party feel about America. We had done UJA delegation after another come to us and tell us that they were going to carry the load just a little longer and then quit. We know

that we have undertaken a load which we cannot carry alone for a long time to come. How can 600,000 people care for 400,000 and more and more and more to come? We need the continuous participation of people who don't look upon help to Israel as charity but as a common responsibility, as a great historic endeavor. We've looked around and we don't see anybody that could lead such a movement better than Silver."

I wondered how widespread such views were.

"I'll tell you what," this man told me. "X and Y are here in New York on an important mission from the Histadrut. Have a talk with them."

I did.

WHEN I POSED the question, X looked at Y and then, slowly, carefully, measuring his words, he said:

"I am not speaking officially, in the name of any leader. I am just telling you what the rank and file feel. If a situation should arise in which Silver re-emerges as the leader of American Zionism, it will be allright with us."

I could tell you of many more

Germans Reward Jew
Returned From Israel

MUNICH—Israel Kirschbaum, who recently returned from Israel after deciding he preferred Germany, found a sign painted on the walls of his home in Nuremberg, "Jews Not Wanted."

Police offered a reward of 500 Deutschmarks for information leading to arrest of the culprit.

such meetings and talks. But perhaps we'd better leave this subject alone for a few weeks or months. I hope you have had enough to realize that when I said things were moving towards a rapprochement between David Ben-Gurion and Silver, I was not talking through my hat. It's in the cards.

"It may take a year's time," Rudolph Sonneborn told me before he left for Israel, "but it is bound to happen. Anyway, I'm all for it."

You may recall that in my column two months ago, I gave it six months. That's four months to go before you can call me a liar. After that let Rudolph Sonneborn worry about his reputation.

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I HAVE a number of issues of the Tel Aviv HADOR, the official organ of the Labor Party (Mapai) in Israel. The paper has a regular feature on the back page entitled, "Social and Personal" which includes such items as the coming departure of Moshe Sharret for South Africa late in May for a two-weeks speaking tour on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, or Dov Joseph's press conference in New York.

On April 10 HADOR made an exception for an item of that nature and published it on the top of the front page. It read as follows:

NEUMANN VISITS

THE PRIME MINISTER

"Dr. Emanuel Neumann, one of the leaders of American Zionism, has been received yesterday for an audience by the Prime Minister at his office in the Kiryah."

N. J. Rabbi Dies
At Age of 57

BRIDGETON, N. J.—Rabbi Nathum Krueger, spiritual leader of Congregation Beth Abraham here, died last week of a heart attack. He was 57.

Born in Lithuania, he spent most of his life in Philadelphia. He was ordained in 1920 and became rabbi here in 1929.

The wage cuts accepted by the Histadrut, the general confederation of labor in Israel, during the second year of statehood, amounted to \$16.04 per month per worker.

I Think As I Please

APPEALS FOR INVESTMENT CLASH
WITH THOSE OF UJA AND POLITICS

By CARL ALPERT

Israel today finds itself on the horns of a dilemma which no amount of theorizing or debate can easily resolve. It is the dilemma created by the mutually conflicting but both urgent requirements for philanthropic contributions on the one hand, and large-scale private investment on the other. Little analysis of these requirements is necessary to determine that simultaneous statement of these requirements accentuates their incompatibility.



ALPERT

The major vehicle for contributions to Israel is the United Jewish Appeal, and this undertaking has for years correctly been given priority in American fund-raising. For that matter, so long as urgent need and pressing emergency are present, it must continue to have such priority.

In 1949 Israel received approximately \$54,000,000 as the United Palestine Appeal share of the UJA for the colonization or economic integration of new immigrants. If American Jewry continues the interest it has shown thus far this year, the figure for 1950 may reach \$70,000,000.

These sums are contributed, as UJA and UPA campaign literature and speakers make clear, to get the new arrivals out of the tents, to build housing for them, to save Israel from bankruptcy, to rescue the country from dire economic emergency. There is no doubt that the continued swollen stream of arrivals has taxed the economic life of the little land, and outside aid is imperative. The millions of dollars made available by the UJA have prevented tragedy on an immense scale.

SIMULTANEOUSLY, HOWEVER, the government of Israel, as well as business and commercial agencies, have issued a call to financial interests everywhere to invest capital in the new state. The exponents of a sound economy in Israel realize that the country cannot forever be propped up by charitable contributions. If local industry is to be developed and if local business is to be promoted, the flow of investment capital must be encouraged.

Capital requires certain inducements, however, not least among which is security. Hence the various bodies and agencies which are engaged in the economic stimulation of investment from overseas, are issuing their own campaign literature, which speaks in terms of markets, profits and all the other factors of pertinent interest.

Effort is made to convince the prospective investor that the country is on a stable economic base, that there is no emergency, economic or military, which might threaten the security of the investment. But then what happens?

Public statements by government spokesmen charging that the Arabs are arming to the teeth, and that another war is just around the corner, may be dictated by pressing political necessity, and by the urgency of letting the world know the truth, but they also serve to cut the very ground from under the feet of those who talk about economic stability and security.

AND BY THE time the UJA gets through picturing the poverty and destitution, the severe strain of absorbing more Jews and the need for more philanthropy, the business men and economists are left speechless. The fact is that philanthropy and risk capital are incompatible. American Jews will not invest funds in an alms-house, nor will they offer donations to a going concern. Israel can not be both at the same time.

During 1949 when the UJA raised around \$110,000,000 of which \$54,000,000 went directly to Israel through the UPA, American Jews invested privately or through corporations, less than \$25,000,000, a figure which proved

terribly disappointing. The great fund-raising machine which had been built up, and the habits of many years, proved stronger than the business lure. Yet it should not require any argumentation to support the statement that the amount of money potentially available for investment far exceeds that available for donations, and if Israel is to prosper the ratio between these two should be reversed as quickly as possible. Many have forgotten that Louis D. Brandeis expressed this view 30 years ago, and it was in a measure due to his insistence on this principle that the historic rift took place in American Zionism.

AS I STATED at the outset, speculative theorizing will not solve this problem so long as UJA funds are needed. No American Jew can dare to reduce his UJA contribution even one dollar unless—unless he will at once help prime the pump of Israel's economy by investing his capital in the industry of the country to an amount at least ten-fold the amount of his previous outright gift. Only in this direction lies the security and economic normalcy for Israel.

Catholic Educator
Joins Hebrew Parley

ERIE—(WNS)—Dr. Joseph J. Wehrle, president of Cannon College, a Catholic institution, announced acceptance this week of an invitation to attend the forthcoming World Congress for Hebrew Language and Culture.

Prof. Abraham Shoulson, head of the Department of Hebrew and Middle East Studies, the only one of its kind at a Catholic college, has been chosen as the faculty's delegate to the Hebrew Congress, slated to open in Jerusalem on July 24 of this year.

Municipal elections will be held throughout Israel on November 14 for 12 municipal councils and 27 local councils.

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Menuhin Feted By Israel Officials; Father Denounces Boycott Reports

National Jewish Post
LOS GATOS, Calif.—Violinist Yehudi Menuhin had lunch with President Chaim Weizmann and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharret during the musician's tour of Israel last month, his father told The POST this week, in rejection of reports that Israeli Government officials had ignored the violinist's presence.

Moshe Menuhin publicized portions of the text of a letter from his son and his wife, dated April 16. With it, the elder Menuhin spoke with his usual bitterness of the "official" reports "in the Yiddische press or Jewish English press."

The Tel Aviv correspondent of the Jewish CHRONICLE of London reported at the start of Menuhin's tour that Israeli officials had tacitly agreed to an unofficial boycott. The violinist and his sister, Hepzibah, presented a 12-day series of concerts, with receipts turned over to Israeli institutions. It was Yehudi's first visit to the Jewish state.

"The President of Israel, Dr. Weizmann, as all members of the Government, the leading personalities in every field here, have expressed their strong feelings of sympathy and solidarity with us," Yehudi wrote to his father.

The violinist also wrote that all his concerts were sell-outs and that "I am playing two or three concerts per day, daily."

"The audiences in Israel are



YEHUDI MENUHIN
Lunch and a New Spirit

terrific," he wrote. "The houses are packed. They never move out of a concert hall until at least three encores are played. They stand up and applaud for 20 minutes. The police have to hold them every time we get into our car, for they stand outside until we leave, cheering and shouting 'Shalom!'"

The violinist was profoundly moved by the Israel collective, calling them "the wonderful, wonderful kibbutzim."

"We visited one kibbutz and we were touched deeply by the work, the buildings, the carefully cultivated land, and the lovely rest

house."

The violinist offered an impromptu concert on less than 24 hours notice "and yet, on the following evening, around 5,000 were collected under the stars to listen to Beethoven and Bach."

"Where else in the world could you find a people whose hands tilled the soil and yet whose heads were attuned to appreciate Bach and Beethoven?" the violinist wrote.

The violinist suggested that the collective "must be a constant thorn in the flesh of the Russians, for here is the living example of the real communal spirit, proving once and for all that men can throw in their lot with the common weal, without thought of personal profit, and can do it without dogma or dialectic and free of policing from above."

He wrote tenderly of the children in the collective: "The children are lovely, laughing, lively faces, sweet manners."

"It is a wonderful country if only for the fact that here one loses that cynicism one has acquired everywhere else in our world which is provoked by the disillusionment in the selfishness of the human animal," the violinist wrote. "One has here a sensation of constant forward and progressive flow of ideas, of hope, of courage, of vigilance, of idealism..."

Conservative Judaism Warned Failing To Train Enough Rabbis

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—There is a great and growing shortage of rabbis to serve the congregations of U. S. Conservative Judaism, Rabbi David Aronson, president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, reported this week.

The president of the Conservative rabbinate said that despite serious budgetary difficulties at the Jewish Theological Seminary, he had been assured by JTS authorities that "no eligible applicants for the Rabbinic school are turned away."

"That means that the number of prospective rabbis is not growing in proportion to the growth of our movement and our congregations," the Minneapolis rabbi wrote in the President's Column of the movement's bulletin.

Asserting that there was "no point in organizing new congregations when we cannot supply them with rabbis," he said the solution could be found only in "the grass roots," and said the problem was one of "personal responsibility of each rabbi."

"Our rabbis must make it their business to seek out in their congregations or communities likely prospects for the rabbinate and to arrange for their special training to prepare them for our pre-theological or Rabbinic school."



ARONSON

CIO-Ousted Union Charges Whole UPA Staff Fired In Row

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—The Social Service Employees Union, local 19, whose parent union was ousted from the CIO on charges of Communist domination, said this week that the entire staff of the United Palestine Appeal office in New York was fired last week.

The local said that the 18 workers, all members of the SSEU, threw a picket line in front of United Palestine Appeal agencies at 41 East 42nd St., as the first step in a nation-wide campaign against the fight of the UJA and its constituent agencies against the union.

BACKING THE CIO

The parent union is the United Office and Professional Workers of America and local 19 represents workers in the offices of many national Jewish organizations. Most of the organizations are backing the CIO which is seeking to organize a new union in its fight against the UOPWA.

Bernard Segal, executive director of the local, said that the workers were locked out by Ellis Radinsky, executive director of the UPA on April 26. Segal said Radinsky took the action after telling the workers that the UPA was ending contractual relations with the union.

THE TERMS

According to Segal, Radinsky said that the UPA would recognize the CIO if a substantial majority of the workers would join the CIO's new union.

Segal said that the workers struck in protest and demanded a meeting between the union and the board of directors. Radinsky refused and ordered the workers to return to their jobs or be fired. The workers refused and were dismissed.

Segal said the workers refused to leave the office and sat for the rest of the night in the UPA office in protest. Segal said that

when the management executives went home, they left two Pinkerton detectives. According to Segal, when the Pinkerton agency learned that their men had been hired in a labor dispute, the agency pulled out the two detectives and told the union that "Radinsky had double-crossed us."

PICKET LINE UP

The next morning, the workers set up a picket line in front of the UPA offices and have maintained it since. The union has asked the New York State Board of Mediation to intervene in the dispute.

"By locking out the entire staff, United Palestine Appeal is endangering the entire 1950 United Jewish Appeal campaign and is using current UJA funds for the purposes of smashing the trade union of the employees," Segal said.

He said that the union would continue its fight until every UPA employee is reinstated with full back pay and the agency renews full recognition of SSEU as the representative of the employees.

The statement did not mention the ouster of the parent union by the CIO.

USNA Reveals End Of Program Of \$100 Local Grants For DPs

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—A spokesman for the United Service for New Americans confirmed reports this week that the agency had dropped a six-months program of granting \$100 per person to Jewish communities receiving Jewish immigrants.

The USNA, one of the three constituent agencies of the United Jewish Appeal, was revealed last

year to have instituted such a program. The agency, which handles resettlement and rehabilitation of Jewish refugees coming to the United States denied then that there was any connection between the program and its 1950 budget. (NJP Oct. 21, 1949).

HOW IT HAPPENED

The spokesman said that earlier this year, the UJA "faced with critical needs in Israel and Europe on one hand, and a desperate shortage of cash on the other, called upon our agency to discontinue the \$100 cash allowance to local Jewish communities for resettlement."

The spokesman said that the decision to discontinue this special allowance was reached through a committee composed of representatives of the United Palestine Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee, the other two constituents of the UJA.

THE REQUEST

The spokesman said that at that time, local communities were urged to dig up the funds from local sources to cover the first needs of newcomers.

The spokesman said that "it is gratifying to report that Jewish communities across the country have done so. The flow of

Jewish immigrants to communities across the country from the New York port of entry has not been interrupted but the communities have extended themselves to provide for the initial and subsequent needs of the newcomers."

DOING GOOD JOB

"The new bill, will probably become law before June, will make eligible for admission to this country approximately 20,000 Jews over and above the 25,000 anticipated under the old DP act," the spokesman said. "Once again it is heartening to report that the local Jewish communities have indicated their readiness to do their share in the resettlement of the expected immigrants."

Canadian Party Ousts Anti-Semitic Branch

WINNIPEG—(WNS)—The Union of Electors, Quebec branch of the national Social Credit Party of Canada, has been ousted from the parent body because of its insistent pursuit of an anti-Semitic program.

Disclosure of the ouster was made by Solon Low, national head of the Social Credit Party, who accused the Quebec affiliate of being a dictatorial organization and of disseminating anti-Semitism and other dangerous propaganda throughout the nation.

Meanwhile it was reported that the Canadian Legion, meeting in a three-day conference at Sherbrooke, Quebec, approved a resolution urging the government immediately to close the doors to all displaced persons and to keep them closed "until such a time when a satisfactory balance will be achieved in Canada" between native and DP workers. Such a ban, the resolution stressed, would ease the unemployment situation in Canada.

JERUSALEM—(ISI)—Repair of the El Jazar Mosque at Acre will be undertaken soon by the Ministry for Religious Affairs.

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MISSIONARIES GLOOMY; SPENT \$100,000 TO CONVERT 90 JEWS

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

CHRISTIAN missionary organizations spent \$100,000 in Europe last year in their attempts to convert Jews; but the net haul was only 90 baptis-tees. As a result, the air at a recent conference of missionaries in Switzerland was very gloomy, reports I. S. Dorfson to The Journal from London. The re-establishment of the Jewish state was cited as the chief cause for gospel resistance. The brightest sug-



gestion to solve the problem was offered by the delegate from Israel (whose name, Dorfson says, was withheld from the press); he proposed that an effort be made to re-open the trial of Jesus. When the Jews would once more be publicly indicted, they would then be more amenable to evangelism, and "Israel will become the most promising arena for strengthened missionary activity."

Jew on Reception Unit For Touring German Team

The DAY is mightily aroused by a story scooped out by its writer, A. Wolk. Wolk discovered that a soccer team from Hamburg, is being brought to the U.S.

for a number of games, that the German athletes will be feted by Americans, and perhaps even received at New York's City Hall, and that a Jew serves on the reception committee.

Wolk reminds his readers that Hamburg has been a violently anti-Semitic city and that today a cordon of police guards the Jewish cemetery against determined attackers. Sponsor of the trip is the German-American League. What is the Jewish community going to do about this, asks The Day.

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Leon Blum Wanted To Visit Jewish State

Leon Blum realized many dreams but death cheated him out of gratifying one of his latest wishes—to visit Israel and see "Kfar Blum," the settlement named for him. So tells us M. Yarblum, The KEMPFER's Paris correspondent. Along with Is-

JWB Convention Will Tackle Problem Of Centers, Israel Role

National Jewish Post CINCINNATI—More than 500 delegates from 325 Jewish Community Centers and organizations cooperating with the National Jewish Welfare Board were due here this week for the 1950 biennial convention of the JWB.

The convention opens Saturday night and will end Monday.

Proposals for expanding and intensifying relationships between JWB agencies, particularly the Jewish Community Centers and YM-YWHAs, and other Jewish or-

ganizations, will occupy the delegates. The delegates will also consider recommendations for the formulation of a public affairs program to guide Centers and the JWB as the national association of the Centers. The opening session on May 6 will be a presentation of the JWB annual report, led by retiring President Frank Weil and including the chairmen of the JWB's six divisions. Dr. Karl Menninger, noted psychiatrist, and Marx Leva, Assistant Secretary of Defense, will be the principal speakers. Dr. Menninger will speak at the morning session on Sunday on "Roots of Happiness for the Individual American Jew." Leva will speak at a luncheon session on "America's Role in Maintaining World Peace."

FETE FOR WEIL

A testimonial dinner will be given on Sunday evening to Weil, who is retiring after 10 years as president. Election of a successor, generally believed likely to be Irving Edison of St. Louis, will take place May 8. Edison, now a national vice president, was understood to be unopposed for the office.

Two major sessions will cover "The Synagogue and the Jewish Community Center, led by Rabbi Bernard Bamberger of New York, and "Enriching the Jewish Substance of Center Programs."

Israel aspects of the JWB's work will cover plans to stimulate educational projects on Israel and members of the Centers to push to aid in helping the newly-established Jerusalem YM-YWHA, Israel's first Jewish Center.

Rochester Temples Plan Expansion

National Jewish Post ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Building plans were announced this week by two Rochester congregations.

Beth Shalom Congregation will launch a fund for a new synagogue, to be modern in design and built to comply with Orthodox requirements.

Temple Beth El is expected to begin construction on its new religious school and auditorium in June, the school to handle 500 pupils and the auditorium 1,100 persons.

14 GLORIOUS DAYS IN ISRAEL

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Tuesday, June 13

Departure from New York.

Wednesday, June 14

Arrival in Paris. Two hours stay. Departure for Lydda.

Thursday, June 15

A. M. Arrival in Lydda. Assistance at the airport with customs and luggage handling. Proceed to Tel-Aviv. Hotel accommodation in Tel-Aviv. First Class Hotel on the beach. P. M. Leisure. Lunch and Dinner.

Friday, June 16

Breakfast. By cars from Tel-Aviv to Jerusalem with sight-seeing on the way. Sight-seeing tour of Jerusalem, Government, National Institutions, etc. Lunch en route. Hotel in Jerusalem. Dinner.

Saturday & Sunday,

June 17-18

Week-end of leisure in Jerusalem. Three meals per day. Attendance of Sabbath services in antique synagogue optional.

Monday, June 19

Breakfast and lunch in Jerusalem. A. M. Leisure. P. M. Proceed from Jerusalem via "Road of Courage" and sites of the "Battle of Jerusalem" to Tel-Aviv. (This is a small item that has to be paid on the spot; transportation Jerusalem to Tel-Aviv: \$2.00). Dinner in Tel-Aviv.

Tuesday, June 20

Breakfast. Walking tour of Tel-Aviv. Visit museums, National Institutions, residential districts, factories. Lunch. Afternoon: Bus ride to JAFFA. Walking tour of JAFFA (Immigrants Center). Dinner oriental style. Return to Tel-Aviv.

Wednesday, June 21

Breakfast. Full day beach excursion to HERZLIA and the Sharon Hotel. Lunch at the Sharon Hotel. Towards evening return via RAANANA, PETAH TIKVAH, and RAMAT GAN to TEL-AVIV.

Thursday, June 22

Breakfast. Full day trip to the NEGEV, southern desert of Israel. Visit war sites and pumping stations. BEER SHEBA. Lunch. Return to Tel-Aviv. Dinner.

Friday, June 23

Breakfast. A. M. Sight-seeing tour by cars to the Kibbutz of GIVAT BRENNER. Lunch at the Rest House. P. M. Weizman and Zieff Research Institutions in REHOVOTH. Wine cellars in RISHON LE ZION. Return to TEL-AVIV. Attendance of Sabbath services at Great Synagogue in TEL-AVIV, Optional. Dinner.

Saturday & Sunday,

June 24-25

Leisure on the beach in TEL-AVIV. Three meals per day at the hotel on the beach.

Monday, June 26

Breakfast. By cars from TEL-AVIV to the SHARON VALLEY, NATANIA, HADERA, to the Meggido excavations in the EMEK. Proceed through VALLEY OF YEZREEL to HAIFA. Lunch en route. Hotel accommodations in HAIFA. Dinner.

Tuesday, June 27

Sight-seeing tour of HAIFA. Proceed by cars from HAIFA to NAZARETH. Lunch. On to TIBERIAS and the JORDAN VALLEY. Visit DEGANIA, KINNERETH; Return to TIBERIAS, for dinner and hotel accommodations. Dinner oriental style optional. (Beautiful oriental-style restaurants on the Lake).

Wednesday, June 28

Breakfast. Proceed by cars from TIBERIAS to the mountains of UPPER GALILEE, through SAFED and TARSHIHA to NAHARIA, new town on Israel's northern beach. Lunch. Afternoon: Visit old fortress of ACRE and return along the beach to TEL-AVIV. Hotel accommodations and Dinner in TEL-AVIV.

Thursday, June 29

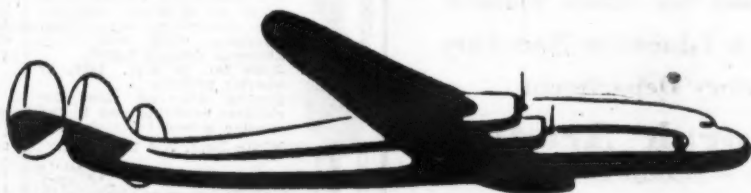
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AJCommittee Distributing Slur on Orthodox Jews, Rabbi Says

National Jewish Post

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill.—An East St. Louis Orthodox rabbi said this week that the American Jewish Committee had ignored his complaint that an article on Jews for non-Jews distributed by the Committee libeled Orthodox Jewry.

Rabbi Benjamin Cohen, spiritual leader of Temple Agudas Achim here, said that last March 20 he wrote to the Community Relations Service, (CRS) a division of the AJCommittee, concerning an article, "What Do You Know About Jews," by Eleanor H. Lake, which appeared in the November, 1947, "Junior League Magazine."

The article was reprinted by the Community Relations Service for distribution to non-Jews.

Rabbi Cohen informed the CRS that he found the article interesting and well written and that Miss Lake had shown "a good knowledge of Jewish history in which she seems to be objective."

"Such is not the case in her treatment of Judaism," the rabbi told the CRS. "I found her to take the liberal point of view to the extent that she needlessly and baselessly stigmatizes Orthodoxy."

"Perhaps she is afflicted in a world of phobias with a phobia which we might call Orthodox phobia, a fear and suspicion of that with which she is only superficially acquainted and does not know enough about."

Asserting that Miss Lake had made a "futile attempt to appease Gentiles," the East St. Louis rabbi said that she had used slander and vilification and that she wanted to "do away with the source, Orthodoxy, the oldest, the most adhered to and time honored and time tested sect, to enhance her own so-called liberal reformed religious security."

"Even viewing this article in terms of good public relations, I feel it has done more harm than

good," Rabbi Cohen told the CRS. "We are all familiar with the dictum 'Jews are responsible for one another.' A slur against one group, one organ, is a pain, a hurt to the whole body of Israel in the eyes of the world."

Some of the statements made in the Lake article which the rabbi cited included:

"Traditionally Orthodox Jews have lived in a cat's cradle of religious rules . . . that would drive most Gentiles crazy."

"Even Orthodox Jews have broken from most of this fantasia . . ."

"Orthodox Jews carry this feeling (of not taking God's name in vain) too far."

Rabbi Cohen concluded his letter with the comment that his reactions represented the sentiments of his congregation.

He told The POST that the organization "did not as much as give me the courtesy of a reply."

Unified UJA Making Progress In '50 Drive, First Reports Show

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—Fresh signs emerged this week, as community campaigns for the 1950 United Jewish Appeal drive began rolling throughout the nation, that the internal fight which marked the 1949 drive was past history and that the 1950 drive was off to a good start.

UJA officials said reports to headquarters in New York indicated that contributions and pledges were running well ahead of the same stage in the 1949 campaign.

While official figures on the 1949 drive have not yet been revealed, final returns are expected to show that the drive last year fell around \$30,000,000 below that of 1948, when U.S. Jews contributed an all-time total of \$150,000,000.

L. A. IN HIGH

UJA officials said that in Los Angeles, the \$3,000,000 mark was passed last week at a meeting addressed by Vice-President Alben Barkley and that contributions were running about 20 per cent ahead of 1949.

San Francisco opened its drive with the biggest fund-raising dinner in that community's history, according to reports to the UJA here. The community's largest givers responded with contributions topping last year's figure by 24 per cent.

The Allied Jewish Campaign of Detroit, which opened with an address by Rabbi Hillel Silver, a key figure in the 1949 UJA split, passed the \$2,000,000 mark at a campaign meeting addressed by Dr. Dov Joseph, Israel Minister of Supply and Rationing.

WEATHER NO TERROR

The Minneapolis Big Gifts dinner ran into a spring blizzard but local leaders made pace-setting gifts running nearly 15 per cent over 1949, according to reports to New York.

Kansas City and St. Louis also were reported topping early gift records over 1949 reports.

Bridgeport set a new mark at an opening dinner when local contributors topped 1949 figures by 33 per cent. Tucson, Arizona, winding up its 1950 drive, has topped 1948 contributions, UJA officials said.

Washington Jewry opened their campaign with contributions of nearly \$1,000,000, about 15 per cent over that of 1949.

Silver To Launch Second Drive for UJA

National Jewish Post

CLEVELAND—Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver will launch the second local campaign in two weeks for the 1950 United Jewish Appeal May 8 when he officially opens the 1950 Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign for Cleveland.

Two weeks ago, the famous Zionist leader opened the drive in Detroit, reportedly his first such aid to the United Jewish Appeal since he suffered a personal defeat in January, 1949 over control of the United Palestine Appeal.

The UPA, the largest constituent agency of the United Jewish Appeal, had been under the control of the Zionist Organization of America.

Enemies of Silver and Dr. Emanuel Neumann, then ZOA president, teamed up to force Henry Montor through as director of the 1949 UJA drive.

The deadlock over the Silver-Neumann refusal to accept Montor was ended by an extraordinary plenary session of the Jewish Agency which stripped the ZOA of its control of the UPA and installed Montor as director of the 1949 drive.

The Brooklyn Hospital Builds Fourth Unit

NEW YORK—The Jewish Sanatorium and Hospital for Chronic Diseases announced this week that it will open its fourth building for patients.

The Shirley Joyce Katz Pavilion, slated for opening May 1, will add 239 beds to the Brooklyn hospital's present capacity of 553, according to President Isaac Albert.

Catholic Paper Links Zionism With Nazism

BUENOS AIRES—(WNS)—The

Jewish State is a menace to Catholicism in Palestine and Zionism is akin to Nazism, the Argentine Catholic monthly "Presencia" charged here in its current issue.

The publication ascribes deliberate desecration of Christian shrines to Israeli troops and accuses the Israel forces of having massacred Arab civilians. It divided the Jewish population in Israel into two groups, religious and atheists. The publication argues that a rule of the country by either group would be objectionable. If the religious Jews govern Israel, "Presencia" argues, they would seek vengeance against Christianity, and if atheists achieve rule over the country they will "open the door to Communism."

British Jews Tell German Jews: "Leave"

LONDON (WNS) — Because Germany "is a possible focal point for renewed anti-Semitic propaganda" it is essential that the Jews in Germany leave that country "not only in their own interest but in the interest of Jewry as a whole," it was declared here by a number of speakers at last week's meeting of the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

The speakers urged that the Jews in Germany be impressed with the need of leaving the country. The board president, Dr. Abraham Cohen, declared that, in view of the fact that the Jews in Germany had five years in which to think over the question of staying or leaving, it was doubtful that those who disregarded previous advice to leave can now be influenced into leaving the country.

No Council Member, Says Parent Who Hit Hebrew Class Appeal

NEWARK, N. J.—A parent who protested against a circular to his son asking support for a Hebrew class in the local public schools vigorously denied last week that he was a member of the anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism. He also severely criticized The POST for its report on his protest.

David L. Cowen, in a letter to the Jewish NEWS of Newark on April 7 said his son had received a communication from the Jewish Education Association of Essex County. The appeal asked his son to support the campaign.

Cowen said then that he questioned the "propriety and wisdom" of propagandizing, by mail, a large part of the student body of a public school and said he had always opposed "the pressure of any religious or hyphenated national group on our public educational system and I am constrained to speak up when my own group is involved."

THE STORY

(The POST story, in describing Cowen's complaint, described his language as indicating "more than a passing acquaintance with the ideology of the anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism.")

In a second letter to the Newark Jewish NEWS last week, Cowen said that the situation involved another issue which he described as the development of "an almost monomaniacal refusal on the part of some elements in the Jewish community to honestly consider criticism or to tolerate opposition. The reception ac-

corded my protest is a manifestation of this tendency."

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He said that "to illustrate, the National Jewish Post, on April 14, actually falsified its report of the content and intent of my letter. Under a completely misleading headline the POST accused me of parroting the language of the American Council for Judaism. I am not and never have been affiliated with the Council in any way."

(The POST headline read: NEWARK PARENT PROTESTS BID TO GET HEBREW INTO HIGH SCHOOL.)

Cowen said he was rejecting any identification with the Council "without intending to acquiesce in the identification of the Council with all the forces of evil; I say it in order to point up the technique of guilt-by-association used by the POST."

"Despite the innuendoes of the POST, my conclusions were entirely my own, based on my belief in the intrinsic value of academic freedom, the significance to democracy of a free, secular, educational system, and the very special stake of the Jew in such a system."

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Meyer Levin Charges Millions Spent On Israel Films Have Been Wasted By U.S. Jewish Mishandling

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—Meyer Levin, novelist and Israel film producer, will charge in a forthcoming article in an Orthodox-Zionist publication that an estimated \$15,000,000 spent on Israel films in the last 15 years has been largely wasted.

Levin, producer of "My Father's House," will take his grievances against the "improper handling" of Israel films in the United States directly to the public in the April issue of "Jewish Horizon," official organ of the Hapoel Hamizrachi, the Religious Labor Zionists.

The article goes into considerable detail on what Levin considers "the most horrible example" of such mishandling, the treatment of his film, "The Illegals."

Levin claims that the film, after being salvaged from under the noses of British intelligence, was in the end "virtually suppressed through the ineptitude of an organizational secretary in America."

The organization responsible for the "nearly complete loss of the value" of the film is named by Levin as Americans for Haganah, which

flourished a year ago and whose publication is now called "Israel Speaks."

Levin relates that a Hadassah group which, determined to see the picture, rented it from a commercial outlet. They were charged \$250 for a one-evening suburban rental and they were sent a print in which the "reels had been pasted together in reverse order."

The novelist will blast the "anarchy and confusion" which he contends exists in the production of Israel films by secretaries of various organizations intent on making their own little fund-raising films and who are "suddenly excited with the opportunity of becoming film producers."

He charges that "authority in the public relations and educational fields is scattered among a half-dozen organizations, from the Israel Government to the United Jewish Appeal."

The novelist will propose a central film distributing mechanism set up "in the same form used by other governments—operating through consulates."

Report From Hollywood

PARAMOUNT TO DO FILM VERSION OF 'THE GOLDBERGS' WITH MOLLY

By SIMON WINCEMBERG

Paramount announces that it has scooped the Hollywood field by getting the screen rights to "The Goldbergs," top-ranking radio and TV show, with Mrs. Gertrude Berg, creator, writer and star of the show, to co-script and star in the film version.



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Significant is the film's announced title, "The Rise of the Goldbergs" which, more bluntly than any other motion picture title I ever heard of, serves notice of a grimly lovable succession of sequels in which the Goldbergs will, for all I know, "Decline and Fall," "Ride Again," "Go West," "Go to Town," and "Meet Hopalong Cassidy."

Shooting is scheduled for the summer vacation of the radio and TV show.

Recent reports in Lolly Parsons' and Boris Smolars' columns that Edward G. Robinson would discuss with President Chaim Weizmann of Israel plans for a \$1,000,000 film about Weizmann or the rebirth of Israel are unfortunately either premature or inaccurate. Robinson has told a Israeli journalist here that in his conversation with Weizmann in Israel last month, nothing at all was discussed about motion pictures.

At present, Robinson will commit himself only so far as to say that if a good story with an Israel setting will turn up for him, he will play in it. A statement like that, of course, you can get in full sincerity from any actor.

Seven years ago, a Jewish Welfare Board publication I picked up somewhere in Alabama, where I'd just finished basic training, found space for a little inch and a half item about the Jews of a ghetto in Warsaw, Poland, having, with stunning audacity and success, challenged and humiliated the German war machine.

As I recall, this bit of news meant a good deal to me at the time, but today it means even more to a local organization called Jewish Survivors of Concentration Camps, a number of whose members are veterans of this battle. Last year, the survivors, in conjunction with the American Federation of Polish Jews, staged a Warsaw Ghetto Memorial and Rally, but found this collaborative effort so mutually unsatisfying, that this year they decided to go it alone. How much this split was due to personal incompatibility between the two production committees, and how much to Right-Left ideological complications is, for the moment, beyond my speculative capacities.

THE SURVIVORS, AT ANY RATE, drew close to a thousand people, had the moral support of the Mayor of L.A., the Consul of Israel, and earmarked this year's proceeds with splendid appropriateness for an orphan's home in Israel.

Not content to let the ghetto ruins lie silent, however, they previously contracted for the manufacture of something I have not yet found words to classify, though it reminded me of nothing so much as an Arthur Szyck cartoon with sound effects.

Produced and directed by a Miss Chana Freundlich of the prewar Warsaw Yiddish stage, and written and narrated by a Mr. Zalme Zilbercweig of the postwar L.A. Yiddish radio, this unclassifiable effort was described in Yiddish as a "shpektakel" in five scenes. Its title was given variously as "The Undying Spirit of Israel," and "From Darkness to Light," either of which the lowliest member of the Dramatists Guild surely would have given his right arm to have thought up himself. (I don't know who the lowliest member of the Dramatists Guild is, but I'm sure he could spare his right arm long enough for me to make my point.)

INTENDED TO COMMEMORATE a proud and tragic page in Jewish history, and presented to an audience, many of whom had undergone similar experiences in real life, it employed techniques which must have been obsolete on Second Avenue in 1890, and made its points—among oceans of tears and the thundering of neurotic maledictions—with all the subtlety of a loaf of pumpernickel on the Seder table.

The discomfiture of the hand-wringing stereotypes on stage, however, which frequently moved the audience to the point of giggles, was nothing compared to the discomfiture of the audience at seeing a chorus-line of talented teen-age ballet students, in shroud-like costumes, languidly symbolizing the Battle of the Warsaw Ghetto. Or at seeing "ani Maamin," one of the most moving affirmations of Jewish faith, being interpreted by a pretty little SwanLake-type ballet.

A recent arrival, a veteran of the Warsaw Ghetto and the Polish Underground, who sat in front of me, expressed himself as being puzzled by it all. But perhaps it was just the Yiddish narration, which was a bit over his head.

Hadassah opened a mental hygiene clinic in Jerusalem this week. Minister of Justice Pinchas Rosen said the new institution would fill a vital need in the community and ultimately help prevent the spread of juvenile delinquency.

Names In The News

GOLDSTEIN OFFERS A FORMULA FOR 'NON-INTERFERENCE' IN ISRAEL

BRAVELY tackling the problem of "non-interference" by U. S. Jews in regard to Israel, Dr. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN, former Zionist organization of America president, produced a formula recently: "Zionists outside of Israel, who are being asked to work for Israel can hardly be denied the moral right to their opinions and to associate with others who hold the same opinions and to offer in addition to their overall help to Israel as a whole, their special help and encouragement to those in Israel who share their own views, preferences and outlook on life."



Dr. Goldstein's formula is a direct challenge to the "non-interference" policy of the American Jewish community, which has been a subject of debate for some time. Goldstein, who is a prominent Zionist leader, argues that American Jews should have a say in the internal affairs of Israel, particularly in matters of immigration and land distribution.

The Era's End

For the first time since the establishment of the United Synagogue of England, the institution will not have a Rothschild as an officer. EDMUND de ROTH-SCHILD resigned recently as an Overseer of the Poor of the United Synagogue, ending a unique family relationship, which had included four of the six presidents of the organization.

The Brisk Summation

Taking a mournful look at the American Jewish scene for the

Radio Roundup

The Post will present here weekly a summary of nationally-broadcast radio programs of interest to Jewish listeners. No responsibility is assumed by The Post for last minute change by radio networks.

SUNDAY, MAY 7—Rabbi Morris Lieberman, spiritual leader of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation, speaking on "Does It Pay To Believe In God?" first of a series of four sermons on the "Message of Israel" program, 10 a.m. EST, ABC.

Council, and a leader in the 1950 welfare drive.

The Noted First

The Bar Mitzvah of Thomas Steuer on April 29 at Beth El in Hammond, Ind., was substantially something more than a routine occasion. The father of the Bar Mitzvah is Rabbi ULRICH STEUER, spiritual leader of the congregation, and the Bar Mitzvah was the first time in the history of the Temple that a rabbi's son has been the center of the ceremony.

With the Rabbis

Rabbi and Mrs. SAMUEL SCHWARTZ of the Washington Boulevard Temple of Chicago have announced the engagement of their daughter Ruth to Irwin Painter of Chicago. The wedding is scheduled for June 18.

Rabbi and Mrs. ABRAHAM R. BESDIN of the Marine Park Jewish Center of Brooklyn have announced the birth of a son, Hillel Besdin.

Jewish Literary Winners To Be Announced May 17

NEW YORK—(NJP)—Names of winners of the annual awards of the Jewish Book Council of America will be made public at the annual meeting of the organization May 17 at the Jewish Museum, it was announced this week.

An award of \$500 will be made to the author of a non-fiction work of Jewish interest and literary merit, and one of \$250 for a similar work of fiction.

The New Target

The hatchmen of the Kremlin finally got around last week to applying their journalistic talents to MOSHE SHARETT, Foreign Minister of Israel. The "Literaturnaya Gazeta," official organ of the Soviet Writers Union, delivered itself of an article entitled "Acheson's Follower in Tel Aviv." Annoyed at a recent Sharett stand that Israel would remain neutral in the cold war, the article described Sharett as "not just a babbling—he is a malicious babbling... he frequently forgets the truth, and, to put it simply, lies."

The Drama Touch

Some 50 members of the Steering Committee of the Los Angeles United Jewish Welfare Fund recently had a breakfast of bread, cheese and black coffee, served in a tent lighted by oil lamps. Not sudden poverty for Los Angeles Jewry but a bid to dramatize the life of Jewish refugees in the transit camps was behind the idea, dreamed up by CHARLES BROWN, former president of L. A. Jewish Community



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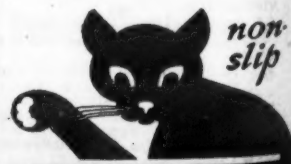
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While Helen Cohen has been taking a brief leave of absence as columnist to have her fifth child, a group of leading American Jewish women have been contributing guest columns. Mrs. Cohen will resume her column shortly.

Mrs. Barnett M. Brickner, the contributor this week, is the wife of Rabbi Brickner of Cleveland and a life worker in Zionism.

HOW HADASSAH GOT ITS NAME: A GLIMPSE INTO LIVING HISTORY

By MRS. BARNETT M. BRICKNER

It was my high privilege to stand at the cradle of Hadassah, the greatest Jewish women's organization in the world. It was born around Purim time in 1912. An older club of Zionist Jewish women called the Daughters of Zion was dissolving. It had numbered amongst its members women who later became prominent leader of Hadassah such as Mrs. Bernard Rosenblatt, Mrs. Nehe-miah Mohl, Lotta Levenson, Alice Seligsberg, Mrs. J. L. Magnes, Ruth Fromenson, Miss Sarah Kussy, Fanny Wilner, Rachel Nat-elson, and others. I had been asked by Dr. J. L. Magnes, then the secretary of the Zionist Organi-zation of America, to teach these ladies Hebrew at their weekly club sessions. I had but recent-ly come from Baltimore with Dr. S. Benderly, who was called to organize the Bureau of Jewish Ed-ucation. Dr. Magnes was then the chairman of the board of trust-ees, and Miss Szold its first treas-urer.

Not wanting to write "finis" to a club that seemed to be needed; for the Zionist movement was be-ginning to flower, Mrs. Rosen-blatt, Mrs. Mohl and I decided to see Miss Henrietta Szold, and invite her to become the lead-er of a new Zionist Women's club to replace the old Daugh-ters of Zion. Miss Szold had but recently returned with her mother from a visit to Palestine, where she was over-whelmed by the misery that she observed among the old and new Jewish settlers there, particu-larly the high infant mortality, the blinding effect of trachoma which was prevalent, the total absence of sanitation, the absence of doc-tors and nurses, the poverty and the ragged condition of the chil-dren. As she once said to me in her humorous and characteristic way "Palestine is not lacking in lacks." (Despite the fact that she was a scholarly woman), she was by nature and temperament a so-cial worker, of the same type of Jane Addams and Lillian Wald, but because of her intense relig-i-osity and knowledge of Judaism, she focused her attention upon the Jewish problem, but more than upon the problem, was vital-ly concerned with Jews.

When she returned, she re-sumed her work as Secretary of the Jewish Publication Society of America, translating scholarly works from German into English.

TO OUR GREAT JOY, she re-sponded favorably to our invita-tion. In a flash, the vision of a recreated homeland for our peo-ple loomed before her. It must have been that God had whispered into her ear that Redemption for Israel was on its way, and that she should prepare the daughters of Israel for this long prayed for event. She did. She not only en-visioned an organization but also an immediate project, and that project was to bring healing to her people and help to a distres-

sed community. She was almost like a Quakeress in spirit. She abhorred war, was an ardent paci-fist, a cultural Zionist and hated politics and political action. That was the stamp she placed upon Hadassah in the early days.

My teacher and her friend, Prof. Israel Friedlaender of Bles-sed memory, was asked to suggest a name for our new organization. Spontaneously he proposed Ha-dassah, the Biblical name of Queen Esther. Hadassah meant myrtle, and connoted healing balm. For our motto, he suggest-ed the phrase "Aruchas Bas Ami" (the healing of the daughter of my people) taken from the Book of Jeremiah VIII, 22. Both name and motto seemed so appropos we gladly accepted them.

THE FIRST meeting of the group which Miss Szold called was held in the vestry rooms of the Temples in New York City. Most of the members of the old Daughters of Zion club were in-corporated into this new organi-zation. I wish now that I had writ-ten down her talks to us, given at those early meetings. Her ev-ery utterance was steeped with spirituality, and was an inspira-tion. She sounded like the Prophe-tesse Deborah, calling her peo-ple to action. We were all mes-merized. She made us feel as though we were standing at the foot of Sinai answering "Na-aseh Ve Nish-mah," we will do and we will hearken. Miss Szold was of course unanimously elected our first president.

Her first act was to find trained nurses who would go to Palestine and introduce Ameri-can standards of nursing there. She found two. Miss Rachel Lan-dy, who is still living in Clevel-land, and Miss Halpern, now gone to her eternal reward, answered her call. How they worked and how securely, sympathetically, and lovingly they laid the correct foundation, so that today, as the result of that experiment, Ha-dassah maintains a Nurses' Train-ing school in Jerusalem as part of the Hadassah Medical hospital,

YOUR NAME

Conducted By
N. Pearlroth

Want to know what your name means? Address your question to Mr. Pearlroth, National Jewish Post.

Torgove Rabin

H. H. Torgove, 7331 Forsyth Blvd., St. Louis, writes:

I would like to know the origin and meaning of my name.

TORGOVE harks back to the weekly market day in Russian and Polish towns. Since the peas-ants of all the neighboring vil-lages flocked to the market day to sell their pro-duce and pur-chase clo thing and tools, it was customary to ap-point a supervis-or of the market day whose job it was to settle ar-guments and keep order among those

who attended the market. This supervisor or inspector of the market bore the title of Torgovy and was usually recruited from among the more respected and energetic local business men. It is from such an office that your family name is derived.

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Arnold Rabin, 611 W. 114th St., New York, writes:

Would you please tell me what my name means?

RABIN is a Polish word mean-ing "a rabbi." The name is obvi-ously a vocational one. Your an-cestor who first assumed it was the rabbi of the locality. It is a name of distinction, denoting Jewish spiritual leadership in the best sense of the phrase.

YOUR name, too, has a fasci-nating background like these. Do you know what yours means? It's easy to find out. Just drop a note to Mr. Pearlroth, care of The POST and the reply will appear in this column.

appropriately named after Henri-etta Szold.

THERE FOLLOWED a quick succession of other projects. She induced the late Nathan Strauss to finance pasteurized milk sta-tions in Palestine similar to those he had introduced in New York City. She introduced the school luncheons for children, clothing and linen in-gatherings, and the making of layettes, pro-

What Foods These Morsels Be

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Rice Consumer Service of Louisville continues to bring forth ideas for serving rice. This week we chose their Creole Eggs and Rice and Salmon and Rice suggestions.

Crisp green salad with sharp French dressing is recommended to complement Creole Eggs and Rice.

CREOLE EGGS AND RICE

6	hard cooked eggs sliced	½	teaspoon salt
6	cups cooked rice	2	tomatoes diced
1	can condensed tomato soup	2	tablespoons chopped green pepper
4	tablespoons flour	2	tablespoons chopped onion
½	cup water	¼	cup mayonnaise

Preparing the rice: Put 2 cups of white rice, two teaspoons salt and 4 cups cold water in a large saucepan. Cover with a tight-fitting lid. Set over a hot flame until it boils vigorously. Then re-duce the heat as low as possible and simmer for 14 minutes more. During this time the rice will absorb the water and come out de-liciously tender. Remove the lid to permit the rice to steam dry. Lift rice with a fork to test its consistency. Never stir rice while cooking and the grains will be separate and tender. Makes about 6 cups of fluffy white rice.

Combine soup, flour and water in top of a double boiler. Stir until smooth. Cook over simmering water until sauce is smooth and thickened. Add salt, diced tomatoes, peppers and onion and cook 10 minutes. Add mayonnaise and beat with rotary beater to blend thoroughly. Cook for 5 minutes longer over simmering water. Makes about 2½ cups of sauce.

To serve, put one cup cooked rice on each plate, with sliced hard cooked eggs, pour sauce over all. This recipe makes six servings.

SALMON AND RICE (baked in individual custard cups)

1	lb. can salmon	1	cup cooked rice
	milk	1	tablespoon grated onion
2	eggs, slightly beaten	½	teaspoon salt
2	teaspoons lemon juice	½	teaspoon dry mustard
½	cup finely chopped celery	¼	teaspoon tabasco
2	tablespoons minced parsley	1	can condensed mushroom soup

Put 1 cup of white rice, 1 teaspoon salt and 2 cups cold water in a two-quart saucepan. Cover with a tight-fitting lid. Set over a hot flame until it boils vigorously. Then reduce the heat as low as possible and simmer for 14 minutes more. During this time the rice will absorb the water and come out deliciously tender. Remove the lid to permit the rice to steam dry. Lift rice with a fork to test its consistency. Never stir rice while cooking—and the grains will be separate and tender. Makes approximately 3 cups of fluffy white rice.

Drain salmon. Measure liquid and add milk to make ½ cup li-quid. Break salmon into flakes. Stir in remaining ingredients (ex-cept mushroom soup) and mix well. Pack into greased custard cups. Bake in moderate oven (375 F.) for 30 minutes. Serve with sauce made by adding 1 cup milk to condensed mushroom soup, stirring until smooth over low heat. Serves six.

jects which have endured to this day among Israel's defenders in the war for National Liberation.

In 1934, it was again my good fortune to be present at the birth of another major Hadassah pro-ject, the Youth Aliyah. I presid-ed at that significant luncheon session of the national convention which met in Cleveland, where Miss Szold's plan was presented; to bring the European Jewish youth who could be rescued, to Israel. In the thick war years, my husband, then visiting in Israel on a war mission for our govern-ment, witnessed how Miss Szold, already failing in health, herself welcomed every boat that arrived in Haifa with these young peo-ple. She herself interviewed and mothered and welcomed these youthful newcomers, who short-ly thereafter were destined to be

I HAVE the feeling that spec-ulative though the future of oth-er projects for Israel may be, the future of Hadassah's pro-jects, to bring healing to our peo-ple, is assured, and through it, the ties that bind us, American Jewish womanhood to Israel, will be continuously strengthened.

I had the thrill of standing at the cradle of Hadassah. Hadas-sah today stands at the cradle of the new life in Israel. How great was thy vision, how saintly was thy service Henrietta Szold.

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A Positive Idea for the Council

THE POST will watch with interest for the appearance of the Jewish textbook Rabbi Allan Tarshish is compiling under the auspices of the American Council for Judaism. This book, you will recall, will follow the Council's approach to Israel, eliminating the so-called nationalistic references to the Jewish State.

But if the Council considers this the main or one of the main "positive" achievements, as against its negative activities, it is entirely wrong. The book is another negative aspect of Council activity.

This does not mean, however, that there are not areas and fields of Jewish work that the Council can undertake that will not almost immediately win it Jewish public approval.

At first glance, the Council may question its ability to implement the following idea and The POST is willing to concede that it will take great effort by the Council's leadership, but the project can be put over.

The Council should immediately have its 14,000-odd members begin regular attendance at services. This task can be accomplished. Al-

though the effort will have to be tremendous, the rewards will be great.

Were the Council able to get its membership to implement the Council's basic philosophy, which holds that Jews are a religious fellowship, then the Council could change the picture the Jewish community now holds of it as a nefarious conglomeration of rich, disgruntled anti-Zionists, who are poor losers.

As for the rabbis, they will be so thrilled at the idea of regular attendance by people who have heretofore rarely graced a pew on the Sabbath, they will have to change their attitude toward the Council.

This same change will come into the Jewish community as a whole. Even Zionists will begin to respect the Council's pronouncements. Not that Zionists will approve or change to anti-Zionists, but most certainly they will credit the organization with a real achievement.

This editorial is not at all sarcastic. It is a sincere message to the Council which is now so bitter that it is taking the chance that this bitterness may develop from an attack on Zionism to a hatred of Jews.

No Charters or Special Status Needed

ALTHOUGH by the time you read this, the decision probably will have been made, the proposals being broached to the Israeli Government for special status for the Jewish Agency and for a charter for the Zionist organization, are totally unrealistic.

Charters and status are official words and lead to official documents and agreements. These documents can be changed only by Government action.

The belief of Nahum Goldmann that such arrangements are necessary may grow out of the confusion created by quickly changing events and the need for radical departures from old procedures.

But it is just this need for change and the ability to adjust to new factors that militates

against charters and status.

For the basis of argument, let us assume that last year, when there was a great deal of wild thinking on the future of the Zionist movement, some such agreement had actually been reached. The program would have been solidified and subject to change only by official action. And it would have been a program that would have reflected the confusion of that period.

That there is need for understandings and agreements and clarifications on fields of activity is clearly obvious. But The POST disagrees with the demands for charters or special status. They are unnecessary. They would lead to confusion. They might even start a new deep conflict within the Zionist movement.

Every Congregation Should Adopt This Idea

THE POST, in pushing for the adoption by the B'nai B'rith of the Wildacres Project for adult Jewish Education, has touched briefly on the possibilities for the Jewish community in the adoption by almost every Jewish group of some form of the Wildacres movement.

Since the last mention here of Wildacres, many rabbis have sent The POST programs for their own retreats, some of which are older than Wildacres.

The point is that there should not be a congregation in the United States, of any size, which within the next few years, if not this year, which should not call together as many lay people as are interested in a three-day stay in the open for Jewish learning.

A few years ago, such a mushroom growth

would have been impossible. Not that someone may not have had the same idea as Maurice Weinstein of Charlotte, N. C., the father of the Wildacres plan, but the lay people of the Jewish community were not ready for it and would not have been interested.

Today, fortunately, the Jewish adults are very eager to take part in such retreats.

It is up to the rabbis, specifically, to get such a program under way. The POST has a great deal of material on hand, most of it unassembled, but if enough requests come in in response to this editorial, we will be glad to prepare a brochure, outlining complete programs and all details for the establishment of a little Wildacres.

Current Comment

Whether through a Sanhedrin or by some other method, ways must be found to make Jewish Law and life harmonize, says U. S. Hapoel Hazimrach in an editorial in the Jewish HORIZON—Small minds geared to small problems cannot find any urgency in developing adequate institutions to supervise the growth of Torah-law in this crucial period. Some see no new problems. As a result, those of this view not only find no urgency for the development of an adequate institution to direct the contemporary development of halachah, they find no need to fill. Others tend to view virtually any move toward a conscious and guided growth of Jewish law as an attempt to remove restrictions considered onerous, while still others, with an inferiority complex which denies them stature as leaders in Israel, are so convinced that an "unfavorable" halachic decree will be totally flouted that they prefer abdication to judgment.

Fortunately, the reports which reach us from Israel do indicate a healthy ferment. More than that, they indicate that some action can be taken and that the future can be expected to hold promise for even greater steps. The recent rabbinic decree setting a new minimum age for marriage is an instance in point. It demonstrates first that current social conditions do create the necessity for fresh analysis, that changes in our society pose complications

and variations so fundamental as to necessitate new conclusions. Secondly, it demonstrates that not all developments extend permissive areas. Precisely the contrary was true here. Finally, it became at once clear that there would be popular acceptance. Indeed, it is very likely that the decree's promulgation at the particular time it was announced may have avoided civil legislation by the Knesset.

We applaud the action taken. We cannot but wish that the circumstances had been such as to give the lie to those who believe that the threat of civil legislation was the determining pressure in bringing about the decree. Above all, we cannot but hope that the myriad unsolved problems be given the attention which they need, for as we have said in these columns before, a religion of life, cannot avoid answering problems so long as life goes on.

We recognize, as any observer of the scene must, that great men differ as to the nature of the new institution which should be established, and as to the methods and procedures to be followed. Great minds are none the less so for the conviction that the urgency of the need will best be met by travelling a longer route. We have no quarrel with them at this juncture nor have we a fetish for the name Sanhedrin. But the need must be recognized and action taken now if the halachic crisis is to be met.

THE EDITORS CHAIR

AT SERVICES Saturday morning pay much more than token membership dues to the Reform Temple.

My friend and the president agreed on the committee and forthwith contacted the chairman of that committee. My friend was assured that his help would be accepted gratefully.

The membership blank arrived promptly. Then weeks and weeks passed without any word. Finally, after three months, my friend was accosted by the paid secretary of the Temple on the street. The secretary proceeded to explain to my friend that his membership had been approved by the board, that the dues would be \$100 annually and that my friend could not be put on the agreed committee.

When my friend asked why he wasn't notified by mail and what the reason was for the inordinately long delay, all he could drag out of the secretary was that the board had specified that the membership secretary pass on the information, but not by mail.

My friend asked the secretary to give him the same message by mail, so that he could correspond with the president, but to this day no more has been heard.

I know the Temple and I know that only a few short years ago, it was the one most important congregation in that city. Today it is practically a mausoleum. All of which makes it even more mystifying why my friend was treated so shabbily.

At Indianapolis's Reform congregation, Saturday morning services are attended by about five people. Here both the mothers and the children are home resting up, preserving their energies for Saturday and Sunday recreation activities.

A FRIEND of mine in a mid-western Jewish community, who was a member of a thriving Conservative congregation, went to the president of the lone Reform congregation in his city, and had a talk with the president about the lack of activity, attendance, morale and everything else at the Reform Temple.

My friend, who had many ideas which might be helpful, offered to join the Reform congregation provided the president would put him on an active committee. The proposal was accepted, with my friend adding that since he worked for a salary and that since he intended to retain his membership in the Conservative congregation, he would not be able to

No Sabbath Exams For Italian Jews

ROME—(WNS)—The Italian Minister of Education, yielding to representation that it is unfair to conduct or give college entrance examinations on Saturdays because it may affect Jewish students taking such tests, has issued an order eliminating the holding of such examinations on the Sabbath.

The request came from the Union of Jewish Communities of Italy.

Portion of the Week

EMOR

Parshas "Emor." The Torah portion to be read on this Sabbath is selected from Leviticus XXI-XXIV, and contains regulations concerning Priests and the Sanctuary. Whatever comes near to God, or is present at His chosen Temple, must be perfect and pure. Priests, therefore, must be free from physical defects or ceremonial impurity, and sacrifices must be without blemish. The ideal of Holiness was intended for the whole household of Israel. But since the Priests were closely and constantly associated with the ritual of the Sanctuary, special laws were instituted for them and higher standards of inner and outward preparedness to appear before God, was demanded. This portion teaches us also that gifts rendered in our sanctuary should be given with pure intent, with a generous heart, and with careful selection as to its value, faultlessness and purity. "And ye shall not profane My Holy name" has been called "Israel's Bible in brief," and is surely one of the important utterances of this portion. It contains the solemn warning against the profanation of the Divine Name (Chillul Hashem), and the positive injunction to every Jew, to sanctify God's Name (Kiddush Hashem) by his life, and if need be by his death. Although spoken in reference to the priests, Succos . . .

this commandment, both in its positive and negative forms, was early applied to the whole of Israel.

The Haphtorah is taken from the last portion of the Book of Ezekiel XLIV, 15-31, which is a vision of the New Jerusalem and the New Temple that will arise when the captivity of our people is over. The New Temple is to be the embodiment in concrete form of Israel's ideals of Holiness and Purity, and those who shall minister in its sacred halls are charged to guard and guide priestly purities. The Priest family of Zadok was selected as most worthy of this task.

In our rehearsal of the "Sayings of the Fathers" the 4th chapter will be read on this Sabbath "Emor."

Rabbi Frank Rosenthal

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ZUKERMAN SAYS RABBI SIMON FAILED TO DEAL WITH BASIC ISSUE

Editor, National Jewish Post:

In the National Jewish Post of April 14, Rabbi Ralph Simon of Chicago, one of the mission of four Rabbis who were sent by the Rabbinical Assembly of America to report on Religion in Israel, denied in an interview, an opinion voiced by me to the effect that the Rabbinical Assembly report shows that definite tendencies towards theocracy exist in Israel and that Orthodox rabbis, through the Religious Bloc, dominate a considerable and important part of the personal life of the Israeli citizen. Rabbi Simon dismissed the opinion as "silly" and said that "Zukerman was letting his anti-religious prejudices run away with him." Permit me to say a few words in reply, particularly in view of the fact that you failed to publish my version of the issue and your readers have only Rabbi Simon's interpretation of what I said.

Having dismissed my suggestion about the existence of theocratic trends in Israel, Rabbi Simon proceeded to give his version of the extent of Orthodox Rabbinical rule in Israel and this is what he said:

1. Marriage and the complex of institutions around it, such as divorce, wills, inheritance, etc., is under the control of the Orthodox Rabbinate. No other rabbinic is recognized by the state.

2. Dietary laws are enforced in all public institutions.

Asked by the interviewer what actual repressions and restrictions the existing situation imposes on those who differ (from Orthodoxy), the Chicago rabbi said:

1. Those who are not Orthodox, but nevertheless religious have no institutionalized way to express it.

2. Marriage is performed only by Orthodox rabbis. There is no civil marriage (in Israel).

3. Any person who has ideological objections to religion may be compelled to go through a meaningless ceremony in marriage.

"Otherwise there is no state interference of the Biblical Law with the Israeli Jew whatsoever."

I do not want to be discourteous to a rabbi and say that his words make no sense but Dr. Simon, by the very facts he enumerates confirms more than I ever did, the existence of theocracy in Israel.

In what other civilized Western state do ministers of religion control the choice of one's husband or wife, determined when he, or she, are to marry, or not to marry, on the basis of religion or creed? In what other democratic state are civil marriages not recognized and children born of such marriages treated as illegitimate and deprived of all rights? In what other modern country are women confined by religious law to inferior status and even to "Jim Crow" places in synagogues and public functions? In what democratic state does the Church, with the aid of the state, control the diet of a people and tell them what they may or may not eat, and regulate to the minutest detail how a person may spend his rest day? Does Rabbi Simon seriously suggest that all this meddling by Rabbinical Courts in the intimacies of family life, diet and relaxation, is not an "interference in the life of the Israeli Jew whatsoever"?

The fact that at the conclusion of his interview, he practically admits the truth of what he set out to prove as non-existent and silly, by saying "The Orthodox Jews

have never clarified exactly what they mean by a Torah State. My opinion is that they have it now and that their battle is to hold what they have."

But most important of all is that Rabbi Simon has missed the chief point of the issue of Religion in Israel. Perhaps, if he had actually read my remarks (and incidentally if the POST had published my remarks alongside with the attack on them), he might have seen that I did not on this occasion raise the question of Kashruth, Sabbath or mixed marriages, as specific examples of Orthodox rule and domination. The chief point raised by me, and by his own colleagues on the mission, the writer of the report on religion in Israel, Rabbi Bokser, was something entirely different, which transcends individual wrongs that may or may not be committed in Israel.

This point was: "Have the rabbis a right to use state power to enforce Biblical laws on the modern people in Israel?" The question was not whether this or the other specific Rabbinical law was right or wrong, but whether any Biblical precept should be enforced "by the law of the state, or should be left to the people to follow voluntarily, as is being done in all free and non-theocratic states."

This is the question. It was raised exactly a year ago by Prof. Milton Konvitz of Cornell University and it has never been answered by any rabbi, Orthodox, Conservative or Reform. Dr. Konvitz, unlike this writer, is an observant Jew, the son of a famous Orthodox rabbi. He DOES observe the Law of Kashruth and other rights prescribed by the Torah. But he insists that he does that voluntarily by his own free will and it is this free choice that makes his observance a religious act. To have these observances forced upon him by the state or police force, is to convert these acts from religion to idolatry.

The essence of religion, Dr. Konvitz stated (and he is supported in that by every religious person, Jew and non-Jew) is "freedom." Without freedom there can be no true religion, no matter how lofty its moral and philosophic ideals are. The Orthodox rabbis in Israel by using the power of the state to force religion, have done away with the soul of religion and have reduced it to the position of a police-enforced institution.

This is the real issue which Rabbi Simon and all rabbis have to face at present. For 2,000 years Jewish religious was least supported by outside power secular or other. Its precepts were followed voluntarily without compulsion. The image of a rabbi in the mind of a Jew, even if he was a non-observant Jew, has always been that of a man of learning, of a seeking for the truth and a lover of Torah for its own sake.

He followed its laws because he loved them, not because he was forced to do so. The Religious Bloc of Israel has now reversed all that. A Rabbi in Israel is now a man with a Torah in one hand and a policeman's club in the other. His function is not to teach and educate but to force the Torah down the throat of a people with the aid of a government and a state. My contention is that this is an insult to any Religion and a degradation of Judaism. The Rabbis of Israel have sold the soul of their religion for a G.

An Interesting Query For Orthodox Rabbis

Editor, National Jewish Post:

How sadly depleted your "Freedom of the Press" page would be if Reform and its rabbis suddenly ceased to be the objects of attack and vilification! How greatly enriched Orthodoxy might be if its rabbis would divert their efforts into more constructive channels than the futile, vindictive, arrogant tirades which seem to be characteristic of their letters! We have important work to do within our synagogues. Don't they?

RABBI N. DIAMOND
Chicago

pot of porridge of statehood and police force. Does Rabbi Simon concur in this?

WILLIAM ZUKERMAN
New York

Ed. Note: The issue of the degree and form of enforcement of Biblical law in Israel was not discovered by Mr. Zukerman, but his right to discuss the elements of that issue cannot be questioned. What was questioned by Rabbi Simon, in the interview I obtained from him, was Mr. Zukerman's reliability as an observer. In respect to the findings of the Rabbinical Assembly commission, Mr. Zukerman's reliability is seriously open to question because of a stubborn insistence on repeating facts that are not facts—and in this case doing so from the somewhat anomalous position of being an observer on events in a place he has not visited, who is rejecting reports from an observer who did visit that place. It is because Mr. Zukerman insists on repeating facts that are not facts—and doing it in this letter—that questions may be raised about his reliability as an impartial observer. For instance:

1. It is true that Israeli Jewish women who wish to attend synagogues must observe traditional laws of separation. It is not true, as Mr. Zukerman says, that this involves "Jim Crow" places in "public functions."

2. The manner in which Mr. Zukerman handles the still unresolved issues of dietary law in Israel does not lead to an excess of confidence in his impartiality. Rabbi Simon said specifically that public institutions—which are supported by the taxes of observant Jews as well as the non-observant Jews—provide for enforcement of dietary laws. Except for the inability to obtain pork products, any Israeli Jew is free to eat what he pleases in the privacy of his home—or, as a story in the April 28 POST indicated—in public as well. Even the secular Israeli Jews have more respect for the feelings of observant Jews in such matters than does Mr. Zukerman, and refrain from violating dietary laws in the presence of observant Jews. But no one will haul them off to jail for not doing so.

3. Mr. Zukerman finds the Orthodox rabbinic engaged in a procedure which he describes as "regulate to the minutest detail how a person should spend his rest day." We refer him to the beach at Tel Aviv, or the main streets of Haifa on any Saturday. Mr. Zukerman may not be denied his right to flex his anti-religious muscles as often and as violently as he desires in our free society. But that same freedom implies an obligation, in the role of observer, to respect facts. B.

COLLEGE STUDENT READER URGES COMPROMISE ON SANHEDRIN ISSUE

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I have been a reader of your newspaper, which I consider to be excellent, by the way, for quite some time, and, I must confess, have often resolved to write a "letter to the editor" on various subjects, but various things always seemed to delay the letter until it's time value was lost.

Now, however, a subject has come up which I feel I must comment upon.

First, let me say that I am completely unqualified to speak with any degree of authority upon this subject, as I am only eighteen years old, and a college freshman. As I hope one day to enter the rabbinate (Liberal) I am more than normally interested in this problem which I think will affect all Jews, Rabbis especially, in the coming years. This great problem is the question of the Sanhedrin and, an organized religion.

From what I have read in the past issues of the NJP, it seems to me that the Orthodox Jews want to set up a Sanhedrin with complete powers (in the field of religion) over all Jews everywhere in the world. The Reform and Conservative Jews are shouting NO! We won't be told what to do and how to do it by a bunch of old-fashioned, narrow people. Now, as I have said, I am young, and compared to the leaders of both sides, quite ignorant, but couldn't a compromise be reached? If the Orthodox would climb down off their high horses and recognize the validity of Conservative and Reform Ordinances, and the Reform-Conservatives could, without dealing themselves any death-blow, do the same for the Orthodox, then, why couldn't representatives of all three groups form the new Sanhedrin. This way, none of the three groups could cry out against "domination by outsiders" and an authority would at last be set-up. This would settle once and for all the minor bickerings and petty problems which beset our people in fund-raising, Sabbath observ-

ances, Kashruth authorities, etc. A chief rabbi could be elected by this group much in the same way that the Pope is elected by the College of Cardinals. The delegates to the Sanhedrin would be selected by the three rabbinical bodies of the U.S. and in other nations where Jews reside in any quantity.

ALFRED K. ZADIG
Wilmington, Del.

Why Another Jewish Flag?

Editor, National Jewish Post:

Have the French of the U.S.A. got a different flag when they celebrate Bastille Day—their independence day—on July 14? Of course not. Neither have the Irish, nor the Czechs. No other country in the world has a different flag for inside the country and another for outside the country.

Who thought up the silly idea that Jews in the U.S.A. need a different flag? Let's drown the idea in an avalanche of mail protesting such nonsense.

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THE JEWS, Their History, Culture and Religion, edited by Louis Finkelstein, 2 volumes, 1431 pages, Harper and Brothers, New York, \$12.

JEWISH SURVIVAL, By Trude Weiss-Rosmarin, 404 pages, Philosophical Library, New York, \$4.

THE LIFETIME OF A JEW, by Hayyim Schauss, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Cincinnati, 332 pages, no price listed.

By WARD MOORE

DR. LOUIS Finkelstein, president of the Jewish Theological Seminary, has taken his turn wrestling with the problems of presenting Jewish history. The various forms useful in retelling accounts of other peoples suddenly become brittle and inadequate in our case; none of the customary methods is flexible or broad enough to comprehend a narrative elsewhere—often antithetically—accented. Graetz' great work was so largely a series of individual biographies that the essential threads of continuity and unity were frequently

obscured.

Dr. Finkelstein's experiment is a symposium, with specialists discussing particular aspects of Jewish experience. It is divided into four equal parts of which "The Role of Judaism in Civilization" is the longest, and "The Jewish Religion"—consisting of one article written by the editor himself—the shortest. If this method has the advantage of high-lighting some usually neglected factors, it has the drawback of presenting less than a full picture.



MOORE

TRUDE Weiss-Rosmarin's essays on "Jewish Survival" deal with theory, rather than with the facts handled by Dr. Finkelstein's authors. Instead of the "when," Dr. Weiss-Rosmarin is concerned with the "how"—and ultimately with the "why." One of the re-

sults is that after reading Finkelstein, a Jew feels proud to have survived; after reading Weiss-Rosmarin, he feels the necessity of continuing to survive.

Dr. Weiss-Rosmarin is blunt. She is not a dispenser of soothing syrup. "Jewish survival is impossible without a certain amount of Jewish segregation. Most modern Jews are unwilling to face this fact, which is borne out by a historical experience extending over centuries and millennia. From the Jewish survivalists' point of view, the ghetto was no curse but a blessing. It engendered a homogeneous, proud and creative Jewish community, whose members fulfilled themselves in Judaism."

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HAYYIM SCHAUS' "The Lifetime of a Jew," deals with Jewish customs from an essentially detached point of view. His is the anthropological approach; scientific and sympathetic. The lifetime is divided into four parts and the customs attached to each period are reviewed historically, giving the flavor of discussing the usages of some long forgotten peoples, Chaldeans, Hyksos, or the builders of Chichen-Itza.

LONDON — (WNS) — Marcel Pohne, Rumanian correspondent for the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, was arrested this week in Bucharest on charges of being in the service of American and British information offices.

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L.A. Youth Council Says Ready To Discuss Kashrut Observance

National Jewish Post

LOS ANGELES—The Los Angeles Jewish Youth Council extended an invitation this week to its Orthodox affiliates to discuss the problem of observance of dietary laws at affairs sponsored by the Youth Council.

The invitation was extended in a letter from Henry Ruby, executive secretary, to Hapoel Hamizrachi (religious-Labor Zionists) and Junior Mizrachi Women.

Ruby suggested a meeting "as soon as possible" so that the problem of kashrut at future affairs sponsored by the Youth Council "may be given due consideration."

The letter was in reply to a formal protest from the two Orthodox Zionist groups, protesting the absence of kashruth at the Jewish Youth Council's Installation banquet and at the recent Jewish Youth Conference.

Ruby said in the letter that "the matter of kashruth has been discussed at committee meetings of the Conferences and given consideration, but due to circumstances which I will explain to you personally, it has been impossible to have strict observance at the dinner to be held at the Conference."

Jack Silverman, Zionist member of the Jewish Youth Council, has in the past charged that HH itself is responsible for the absence of kashruth observance, because of its "aloofness" from Youth Council activity.

L.A. Hapoel Hamizrachi Boycotts Zionist Council On Kashruth Issue

National Jewish Post

LOS ANGELES—The local American Zionist Council had formal notice this week that the Los Angeles Council of Hapoel Hamizrachi will not cooperate with the coordinating Zionist group until assurance is given that dietary laws will be observed at all functions of the Zionist Council.

The notice was served by Rabbi Jacob Levine, president of the L. A. Council of the religious-Labor Zionists.

The Men's and Women's Mizrachi of Los Angeles have been supporting the work of the Zionist Council financially but have made it a policy to stay away from all affairs.

Despite prior assurances to the contrary, non-kosher food has frequently been served at affairs sponsored by the Zionist Council, according to the religious Zionists.

U.S. ANGLO-JEWISH PUBLISHERS SEE NEW TASKS AS JEWS CHANGE

NEW YORK—(WNS)—The seventh annual convention of the American Association of English-Jewish Newspapers concluded here with the re-election to the presidency of Philip Slomovitz, editor of the Detroit Jewish NEWS, and with the adoption of a series of resolutions affecting Israel, Jewish life in Germany and the function of the English-Jewish press as a medium of inter-Jewish affairs.

Jews, Christian Liturgy Found of Common Source

NEW YORK—Hebrew Union

College announced this week that the common source of Jewish and Christian liturgical music in the ancient Jewish Temple in Jerusalem has been substantiated by Dr. Eric Werner, HUC Professor of Music.

The Reform Seminary said that Dr. Werner has established and documented the common origin of the music and liturgy which has long been the contention of the Roman Catholic Church.

Held at the Hotel Statler here on the week-end marking Israel's celebration of its second anniversary, the convention hailed Israel's independence as a prelude to a happier future for the Jewish people. At the same time it denounced the resurgence of anti-Semitism in Germany and urged the U.S. Government to take a lead in stemming that evil.

The convention also "reaffirmed the responsibility of the English-Jewish press, as a medium of public information, to stimulate interest and more generous support for the fledgling Jewish state."

In his presidential report, Slomovitz disclosed that almost 80 percent of the Jews of the world now speak and read English and that "it is, therefore, the serious responsibility of the English-Jewish press to cover fully the scene both at home and abroad so that the forces of destruction and bigotry can be counter-attacked by an intelligently informed people."

Israel General Zionists Spurn Ben-Gurion Bid

TEL AVIV—(WNS)—The proposal to join the coalition government, reportedly made by Premier David Ben-Gurion, was considered here at a session of the executive committee of the General Zionist Party but no decision was reached by the 70-member group.

The General Zionists, advocates of free enterprise and greater inducements to foreign capital, are believed to insist on the resignation of the present government and a reconstitution of the Cabinet as a condition to entering a coalition.

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BRANDEIS TO OPEN GRID WARS AGAINST HARVARD ON OCTOBER 14

BOSTON—Brandeis University, the nation's first Jewish-sponsored non-sectarian university, will enter the national college football wars on Oct. 14 against Harvard University, it was reported last week.

The Jewish ADVOCATE of Boston, which has excellent inside sources to developments at Brandeis, made the disclosure, saying the game will be played at Soldiers Field.

The report was in conflict with previously announced plans revealed by Benny Friedman, Brandeis athletic director, who reported earlier this year that the Brandeis gridiron bid would not be made until the 1951 season. (NJP March 31).

The Sports Whirl

SID GORDON COMING THROUGH AS EXPECTED IN EARLY PLAY

By HAROLD U. RIBALOW

During the baseball season, the reader of this column will have to be patient with this columnist. As the material for this spot in The POST has to be placed into editorial hands long before the newspaper goes to press, you often read stories which were written at least a week before they are published. In many cases, it makes little difference. But with the baseball season changing stars into burns and vice versa each day, our comments on ball players may seem sadly out of date. It is something, however, which can scarcely be helped.

For example, comments on the opening week of the new diamond season may be a bit out of line at the moment this column is being read. Yet we shall try to slant our comments so that they retain some pertinence and pungency weeks later.

It is clear, from the day the "Play Ball!" cry was echoed across major league diamonds in 1950, that the handful of Jewish ball players will offer a lot of copy to a sports columnist interested in the derring-do of the Jewish players. For one thing, Al Rosen, who has been the subject of a handful of paragraphs in this column, won the third-base job from 12-year Cleveland veteran Ken Keltner. One of our correspondents, a few weeks earlier, questioned our enthusiasm about Rosen. Soon thereafter, Al won Keltner's job; Keltner was released and later signed as a pinch-hitter by the Red Sox. Lou Boudreau said that as soon as Rosen was informed that the hot corner was his, Rosen began to perform like a real major leaguer. Opening day he hit a home run and in Cleveland's second game he slammed another. His Jewish teammate, Hal Saltzman, also patted on the back by a reader of this column, was returned to the minors within the first week of the opening of the 1950 season.

ANOTHER BRIGHT SPOT has been the play of Myron (Joe) Ginsberg. Joe, as we pointed out earlier, has a tough job ahead of him if he is to remain with the Detroit Tigers. The club has two veteran catchers and a bonus player. Ginsberg has to push aside one of the vets or the Tigers have to give up on a \$75,000 bonus star—which is unlikely. Nevertheless, the Jewish catcher was behind the plate in the second game of the season and has handled his share of the work thus far in the other Detroit games. He has hit and handled the pitchers well. He is being given a chance to show what he has, before the May 15 cutting down date. And if he has the ability, it is likely that he will hang around. If he does, he will have a long career ahead of him, for he is a lad in his early twenties.

Saul Rogovin, another Jewish player with the Tigers, has had, at this writing, few opportunities with a Detroit team that has started its season well. In his first outing, Rogovin didn't last past the fourth inning. But the fact that he received a starting job is indication that his abilities are being taken seriously by Manager Red Rolfe. Sid Schacht on the Browns, on the other hand, is bound to see lots of work, if he measures up to big league standards. He has already pitched and done passably.

THE BIG JEWISH star in the majors is, of course, Sid Gordon, a key player in the biggest trade of the year, between the N.Y. Giants and the Boston Braves. Sid, practically from the outset, established that he will terrorize the pitchers in 1950 as he did in 1949 and 1948. The fact that he has changed uniforms means little. As a matter of fact in the opening series between the Giants and the Braves, Gordon was the big gun. He hit two tremendous home runs, one of them with the bases full. So far he has three round trippers. He is off to a flying start. And his efforts have made life particularly miserable for Leo Durocher, who traded him to the Braves with the

minor league managers, break up play-off games and win valuable player awards from Memphis to Mobile to Sacramento. But a handful of shocking failures in a major league setting—and you are done. This, apparently, is what has happened to Cal Abrams. He appears to be ticketed for other pastures than Brooklyn.

INCIDENTALLY, here is a note for sociologists. When the 1950 season opened there were more Negroes on major league squads than there were Jews—and more of them playing on opening day. Al Rosen and Sid Gordon were the Jewish players of that day. On the other hand, Larry Doby and Luke Easter of the Indians; Jackie Robinson, Roy Campanella and Don Newcombe of the Dodgers; Henry Thompson of the Giants and Sam Jethroe of the Braves were in starting day lineups. Just a footnote to sports history.

Neb. Synagogue Teaches Christians

LINCOLN, Neb.—Following the lead of the Euclid Avenue Temple in Cleveland, Congregation Tifereth Israel here scheduled a Seminar for Christian Sunday School teachers.

The project, headed by Rabbi Joshua Stampfer, was worked out in cooperation with the Christian Council of Religious Education.

Rabbi Samuel Halevi Baron of South Street Temple was invited to speak on the relationship of Judaism to Christianity and Rabbi Stampfer's topic was "Jewish customs and Ceremonies."

Rabbi Barnett M. Brickner of Cleveland launched the first such seminar early this year. (NJP, Feb. 17).

Argentine Zionist Split Held Widening

BUENOS AIRES — (WNS) — The rift within the ranks of the Zionist Federation of Argentina is widening, according to a statement by Dr. Francisco Belfer, the organization's new president.

The conflict began when Dr. Mateo Goldstein, former president of the Zionist Federation of Argentina, resigned from his post with three other members of the group's executive, because of a difference in policy, in which Dr. Goldstein represented the minority group.

The Yiddish Zeitung, leading Jewish daily here, has printed an editorial declaring that the former president should have fought his opponents instead of quitting his post.

Israel To Push Export of Bulbs

JERUSALEM — A four-year plan for the cultivation and export of bulbs has been prepared by the Ministry of Agriculture, which hopes eventually to export 250,000 pounds worth of bulbs each year.

Health services in Israel have been greatly improved during the past year, the Ministry of Health reported this week.

Philadelphia Congress Council Split On Ouster Of Official

PHILADELPHIA—A city-wide meeting of members of the American Jewish Congress and a court hearing this week marked a month-long battle over the ouster of the executive director of the Philadelphia Council of the Congress.

Dr. David Petegorsky, national executive director of the militant civic defense agency, was scheduled to come here to take a direct hand in the struggle, according to the Philadelphia Jewish TIMES.

The Anglo-Jewish weekly reported that all negotiations on the firing of John S. Bernheimer as executive secretary appeared stalemated. The weekly reported that Petegorsky had issued the dismissal order, which also included Jerome Tobin, executive secretary of the Women's Division of the Council.

The Philadelphia weekly reported, after a month of trying to get a statement on the issues in the dismissals, that the dismissals apparently involved charges of dereliction of duty.

SUIT FILED

Bernheimer filed a Bill in Equity against the national office of the Congress. Attorneys for both sides met with Judge Eugene V. Alessandrini on a hearing date on Bernheimer's suit, which was set for this Friday.

The Bernheimer suit also named three officials of the Philadelphia Council of the Congress.

Bernheimer, who was fired March 31, filed a court action asking for a preliminary injunction, setting aside his ouster and reinstating him in his office.

NO AUTHORITY

The suit contended that the national office did not have authority to fire him.

In response, according to the TIMES, the board of the Philadelphia Congress group met April 11 and repeated the ouster action to nullify that portion of the Bernheimer suit.

During efforts to reach an out-of-court settlement, a brochure was circulated, inviting Philadelphia AJC Congress members to participate in a protest rally.

A REPORTER BARRED

The TIMES said the meeting was held April 26, but a TIMES reporter was barred on grounds that the meeting was open to members of the Congress Council only.

The three local officials named in the Bernheimer suit were Nathan L. Edelstein, past president of the local Congress; State Sen. Maxwell S. Rosenfeld, current president, and Mrs. Benjamin Price, president of the women's

division. None were present at the Wednesday meeting. The TIMES reported that a letter on the issue was sent to the members of the Congress Council. According to the weekly, the letter reported the steps leading to the ouster and indicated that the reason for the ouster involved charges of inefficiency and similar complaints.

NO STATEMENTS

No formal statement has been issued by any of the groups or persons involved.

The TIMES said that the differences which caused the "severe cleavage" in the Congress Council ranks grew out of the dismissals "but now threaten to go beyond in the matter of issues of controversy."

"It is now a question whether any decision by the court in the Bernheimer decision will cover the many points of contention which have been raised since the dismissals," the weekly reported.

IN DETROIT TOO

Last summer, a battle developed between the Metropolitan chapter of the Congress in Detroit and the national office. The fight ended in the dissolution of the chapter, which a committee named by the late Rabbi Stephen S. Wise had found guilty of numerous violations of Congress policy.

Nazi Film Maker Acquitted Again

FRANKFORT, Germany — A Hamburg court last week acquitted for the second time one of Germany's best known film producers who was charged with crimes against humanity for his film, "Jew Sues," an anti-Semitic movie made for the Nazi regime.

The prosecution had asked for a two-year prison sentence and a fine of \$25,000 against the producer, Veit Harlan.

The producer contended he had produced the anti-Semitic version of Lion Feuchtwanger's novel on orders of Dr. Josef Goebbels and that refusal to do so would have endangered his life and that of his family.

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United Israel Drive In Canada Opens With Zionist-Agency Split

MONTREAL—The United Israel Appeal in Canada was underway this week without final settlement of a dispute between the Zionist Organization of Canada and the Jewish Agency.

The national drive opened here with a goal of \$5,000,000, roughly \$1,000,000 over that of 1949.

The controversy flared into the open when S. Zacks, retiring ZOC president, told the annual Zionist convention that he was strongly opposed to party politics in Jewish welfare agencies. He charged that the Jewish Agency was seeking to interfere with the autonomy of the ZOC.

"We resent active interference by the Jewish Agency in the autonomy of elected bodies such as the ZOC," Zacks said. "We believe that the time has come for a reorganization of the World Zionist Organization and the abolition of all parties outside of Israel."

The charges were promptly denied by G. Hammer, executive director of the Jewish Agency in New York.

Canada Zionist leaders said they believed the goal would be met and that if it fell short, it would not be because of Zionist differences with the Jewish Agency but because of business conditions.

U. S. Switches Indictments In L.A. Arms Smuggle Trials

LOS ANGELES—Arguments were scheduled in federal court here this week on a new federal grand jury indictment against six American citizens charged with arms smuggling to Palestine during the Israel War of Independence.

The new indictment replaced an earlier one against Herman Greenspun, Las Vegas, Nev. publicist; Lawrence Ives, New York; Al Ellis, Nat Ratner, Chicago, Lawrence Rosenblum, New York, and Henry Bellows, Santa Monica. Ratner and Ellis are World War II veterans.

NEW CHARGES

They were accused of conspiring to export ammunition and guns to Mexico for shipment to Israel in 1948, without a license from the U.S. State Department, according to the Los Angeles Jewish VOICE.

The displaced indictment was the third in a series returned by federal grand juries charging U.S. citizens with smuggling arms to Israel. (NJP, Oct. 14, 1949).

William Strong, attorney for Greenspun and Ellis, objected to any proceedings on the new indictment. He contended that the defense had not been given enough time to attack the indictment.

NO PLEA

Strong refused to enter any

pleas to the new indictment until he had been given the chance to make such motions.

Federal Judge Pierson Hall agreed to give Strong such an opportunity. He indicated that the trial will not be held until late this month.

In the first indictments, returned in Miami in 1948, two of a group of defendants appeared on the charges. Charles Winters, a non-Jewish air force veteran, and Irwin Schindler, both pleaded guilty.

WHAT HAPPENED

Winters was sentenced to 18 months and fined \$10,000. The case is being appealed. Schindler was given a suspended sentence. A federal jury returned verdicts of guilty against three defendants in the first trial in Los Angeles. (NJP Feb. 10).

In none of the cases to date has any defendant been sent to

FIRST IRAQI JEWS MOVING TOWARD ISRAEL, PENNILESS

TEHERAN—Some 400 expatriated Jews arrived here last week from Iraq as the first of some 100,000 Iraqi Jews expected to emigrate to Israel under a decision of the Iraqi Government to allow its Jewish nationals to depart.

The 400 joined some 5,000 Jewish refugees from Iraq who have been crossing the Persian border illegally in recent months.

The Jews leaving Iraq officially were permitted to take a small amount of money with them but the majority of them were forced to spend their money before leaving and were arriving here penniless.

HOLY WAR CRY

They were sped on their way by a Moslem proclamation in Baghdad forbidding faithful Moslems to buy goods, furniture or property from Iraqi Jews.

The effect of the ban will be the dashing of any hopes of the Iraqi Jews that they might dispose of personal property and have some funds with which to start life anew in Israel.

A small trickle of poverty-stricken Jews from Persia also is arriving here but priority has been given by Israeli officials to the Iraqi Jews.

40,000 LEAVING

It was reported that 40,000 of the Iraqi Jews had already registered for emigration.

The Persian government has been helpful and friendly to the refugees and has indicated no objections to their temporary stop-over in the country.

Paray Quits Israel Orchestra In Huff

TEL AVIV—Paul Paray, French conductor of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra resigned last week, charging that he had been replaced by big-name conductors for most of the cities the orchestra will visit during its 1951 tour of the United States.

Paray said he had been scheduled to direct the orchestra during the tour.

He said he resigned when he learned that the concert listings were changed for most of the big U.S. cities, replacing him with Serge Koussevitsky and other top U.S. conductors.

Paray left for Paris after leading the Israel Orchestra for a year.

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TEL AVIV, Israel—The first Jew from Trinidad has arrived in Israel making 53 the total number of countries from which Jews have emigrated to the Jewish State.

Trinidad, a British crown colony off the coast of South America, has a Jewish population of 180.

German Jewish MDs Warned by Nazis

FRANKFORT (WNS)—Posters warning Jewish doctors to keep "hands off German women" appeared in the streets of Offenbach against the background of mounting anti-Semitism in Germany.

While the police at Offenbach were said to be looking for the persons responsible for the posters, investigators found definite evidence of nazism in a series of Jewish cemetery desecrations near Frankfort. Earlier the police claimed young children were responsible for the desecrations. It now develops that fathers of the boys involved in the incident had been Nazi members for many years.

Concern over the growing anti-Semitic incidents was expressed here by the League of German Students Association, meeting at Mainz, in a resolution calling for the restitution of confiscated Jewish property and the correction of the moral injustices which had been committed against Jews.

BLAUSTEIN SAYS AJ COMMITTEE DETESTS JEWISH NATIONALISM

NEW YORK—Jacob Blaustein, president of the American Jewish Committee, said last week that aid by U. S. Jews to help resettle and rehabilitate refugees coming into Israel "should not and must not be confused with world Jewish nationalism."

Blaustein proposed the distinction to a meeting of 100 Jewish communal leadership to help dispel the confusion.

The executive committee, at the closing session, approved a resolution endorsing Blaustein's distinctions.

On the American scene, the executive committee placed the AJ-Committee on record as opposed to the Mundt-Nixon bill for control of subversive elements.

He said that such help by American Jews was completely consistent with "the soundness of the attitude of American Jews toward their future as Americans and Jews."

He said the AJ Committee is "unalterably opposed to any concept of world Jewish nationalism" and said that in the confusion arising from the issues of the relationship of American Jews to Israel, it was the task of



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Abdullah Takes Arab Palestine

Ex-Irgun Leaders Demand Fight To Death On Annexation

TEL AVIV—A crowd of 10,000 Israeli last week heard an appeal from former leaders of the defunct terrorist Igun Zvai Leumi to fight to the death against the annexation of Arab Palestine by King Abdullah of Jordan.

The meeting was addressed by Menachim Beigen, former commander of the Irgun, and his two top aides, Chaim Landau and Yacob Meridor, who pledged the severest fight in history if she tried to station troops in the annexed area.

The warning to Britain was based on the fact that Jordan is a puppet creation of British imperialism and that the two countries are closely linked by treaty.

FULL RECOGNITION
Britain recognized Jordan's action within a few hours after it occurred, simultaneously extending full de jure recognition to Israel.

A British spokesman said that Britain would not seek bases in the new Jordan territory "in peacetime."

The former Irgun leaders, all of them now members of the Israel Parliament, through the Herut (Freedom) party, told the mass meeting here that Israeli would never permit Jordan to hold the annexed territory, which takes in 1,600 square miles and the old city of Jerusalem, now occupied by Jordan troops.

BACK TO ARMS

The three ex-terrorist leaders said they had sent a message to

They called on Israelis to swear to die before letting Jordan's annexation stand.

The Irgun, which fought Jews in Palestine as well as the British, was outlawed in September, 1948, shortly after the assassination of Count Folke Bernadotte, United Nations Palestine mediator.

ISRAEL CAUTIOUS

A high Government spokesman, making an informal first comment on the annexation, was quoted by World Wide News Service as saying that the move was "unilateral" and not binding on Israel.

Under the UN partition decision, Arab Palestine was to have been set up as a separate Arab state.

Job Bias Reported Growing In Chicago

National Jewish Post
CHICAGO—Job discrimination against minority groups is on the increase in Chicago, according to a recent report by the employment committee of the city's Commission on Human Relations. The report blamed rising unemployment as the reason for the increase and noted that one of the city's largest private employment agencies reported increasing discrimination in job orders placed by firms and institutions.

The report stated: "Placing Negro and Jewish high school and college graduates this June constitutes a problem for all schools having sizeable numbers of students in these categories."

Greece Gives Back Warplane to Israel

ATHENS—The Greek government last week returned to Israel authorities one of two British Spitfires seized when the planes made forced landings two years ago on the Island of Rhodes.

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